Yahoo Group Archive: hamrailfans

Yahoo Group summary: Ham Radio Enthusiasts who combine railfanning with amateur Radio. If you are interested in how we combine

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1. Greetings

Yahoo group: hamrailfans
Date: 1998-11-27 23:33:33 UTC
From: Stkntower@xxx.xxx
Topic: 1 Message: 1

I wish to thank those of you that have signed up for this list and also to introduce myself.

My name is John Manter and hold an advanced class license. Current call is Wa1rka,which was reclaimed by me under the vanity call program. It was originally
issued to me in the early 70's when I lived in the Portland Maine area. I had sentimental reasons for wanting it back.I have been involved with ham radio for the last 34 years. My first license was issued on July 15,1964.

At the present time my HF activities are limited to the 20,15,10 and 2 meter bands.
I use a Kenwood TS-830s and an old Heathkit for 2 meters. I usually can be found
around the Slow Scan TV frequencies as well as on the Amador County Amateur Radio Clubs 2 meter repeater on 146.835 down 600. If you should live within range of
that repeater I usually can be found there,especially on Tuesday nites as I do play
the newsline bulletins for them. That repeater is located at roughly 4000 feet in
the sierras,about 10 miles east of Jackson,Calif.

Most of mine railfan photography is done within 10 miles of my home in Stockton.
David Epling was the one that really got me started. He saw some of my work on a Local dialup bulletin board and after that there was no stopping me...At last
count something like 200 rolls of film in 2 years passed thru the camera. I use
an old Pentax K-1000 and either a 35-105 or 70-210 zoom and ordinary 200 speed print film.

That should give you some of my background and how I got started chasing trains,
and safely I must add.

Best Regards

John Manter

2. Re: Greetings

Yahoo group: hamrailfans
Date: 1998-11-28 02:00:52 UTC
From: David W. Epling
Topic: 1 Message: 2

most of you know me from the other lists, and my Central California Rails
Website...I though am not into radios and am here in support of my friends
and will probably revert to lurking and not posting.

enjoy the list

David Epling
Central California Rails
http://cencalrails.railfan.net

California Railfans Mailing List
http://cencalrails.railfan.net/calrails.html

----- Original Message -----
From: <Stkntower@...>
To: <hamrailfans@onelist.com>
Sent: Friday, November 27, 1998 15:33 PM
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3. Welcome

Yahoo group: hamrailfans
Date: 1998-11-28 04:28:22 UTC
From: mainstreeter@xxxx.xxx
Topic: 3 Message: 3

Thanks for setting this list up in what may be an unusual but growing facet for railfans. I've been interested in both radio and rails for sometime now and this should fill a necessary void. David, and others who are interested in getting your ticket, it is well worth the effort becoming an amatuer operator. I've met many railhams and railfans because of my involvement in the hobby, and have had great success in using amatuer radio as a way to keep in touch during rail outings and special events.

Chris Stubblefield
KC7HTL
146.490
446.500
(If you are in Portland: 442.025+ 100hz)
(Seattle area: 146.700- 127.hz)
(SW Washington:443.000+ 107.2hz)

4. Re: Welcome

Yahoo group: hamrailfans
Date: 1998-11-28 05:12:03 UTC
From: Stkntower@aol.com
Topic: 3 Message: 4

Glad to see some postings getting done on this list.

This is pointed at Chris,but think everyone will agree on a change I made based on his posting. I decided to change the requirement for a ham license to anyone who is interested in how the 2 hobbies are combined. The list is primarily for those of us
that have the needed ticket to use the airways,but I also didnt want to shut the door
on anyone who may be interested as well.Nor did I want to prevent future hams from
getting involved and learning. If anyone wants to pass this on to other lists feel
free.

I did keep the amateur license in the webring requirements,tho,with the exception
of David Epling. He was the driving force behind this list and also did the needed
survey on various lists to see how much interest there would be. With out his help it wouldnt be a reality tonite....

Lets all give David a big round of applause or at least a thank you.

73
John

5. Re: Welcome

Yahoo group: hamrailfans
Date: 1998-11-28 05:35:49 UTC
From: Guy Smiley
Topic: 3 Message: 5

OK. FB!

BTW, there use to be a ham railnet on K6POU's diablo machine at 145.33.
I guess it just disappeared when his tower blew over a couple of winters
ago. Any interest in getting it up and going again?

I concur with removing the requirement for a ticket as an entrance
requirement to this list for the reason that you stated.

73 de WA6OKQ
diddleydahdidah

6. Scanner subject on Trainorders.

Yahoo group: hamrailfans
Date: 1998-11-29 00:24:33 UTC
From: Stkntower@xxx.xxx
Topic: 6 Message: 6

there currently is a thread someone started about possible scrambling in the future
of the rail dispatches. I posted one,and after reading over all the other replies I find
myself asking the question,In this day and age of High Technology,if they want
to keep their communication private maybe its time to go back to the way it used to
be....Write it out on a piece of paper,and let the train crew grab it from the wire as
they go by.

One other comment.

You all know its illegal to monitor cell phone calls and scanner manufacturers are
required to block out that frequency range...That still doesnt solve the problem,as
any tv set that has the old 82 channel tuner built in will hear them anyway.

Any comments?

John

7. Re: Scanner subject on Trainorders.

Yahoo group: hamrailfans
Date: 1998-11-29 04:38:00 UTC
From: mainstreeter@xxxx.xxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxx
Topic: 6 Message: 7

I can recieve cellular on 1080-1100 mhz on my Yaesu dual-band mobile as the IF is set that high.

As far as scrambling or going digital, I think that is somewhat down the road (can you imagine someone at the power desk assigning a loco on the point that is not equipped with the latest radio on board and trying to use it with others that are)
Someone on a list did say that switch engines in UP's Roseville yard are experimenting with Nextel digital radio's. I have heard that the RR's and others will have to start switching to 12.5 khz spacing as the spectrum is running out.
They may be more concerned with un-authorized transmissions on their freqs. by modified radios or commercial radios purchased second-hand.

Was at Vancouver WA depot today and saw new Amtrak F59ph units 461 and 467 doing the honors on north and south Talgos (Cascades) Some of these units have what looks like a bar on the right hand side hanging down by the trucks, I am told this is for the Automatic train Stop transponders to pick up if they ever implement it here in the NW

Chris KC7HTL

On Sat, 28 Nov 1998 19:24:33 EST Stkntower@... writes:
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8. Fwd: railfan network

Yahoo group: hamrailfans
Date: 1998-11-29 19:11:46 UTC
From: Stkntower@xxx.xxx
Topic: 8 Message: 8

The attached was in my e-mail box a little while ago...can any of you help him out.
If so you can reply to me and I will resend it.

Thanks

9. ISP down

Yahoo group: hamrailfans
Date: 1998-11-30 21:58:12 UTC
From: Stkntower@xxx.xxx
Topic: 9 Message: 9

If any of you are having problems reaching rail related sites on the east coast,railfan in particular it appears the problem may be in Saugus,NJ. There is an ISP there
that is down,and this could explain why half the railfan sites are down and others
are still up. I would guess depending on whose page is on what server.

John
wa1rka

10. Amtrak Cascades debut

Yahoo group: hamrailfans
Date: 1998-12-02 02:41:21 UTC
From: mainstreeter@xxxx.xxx
Topic: 10 Message: 10

I was invited to ride on Amtrak's new Cascade debut yesterday as a guest of Wash. State DOT. This newer version of the Talgo that runs between Vancouver BC and Eugene OR (not all trains) was an improvement over the previous trains as far as technical and on-board ammenities. Some bugs to work out (the TV screen in each car read -15 F even though it was much warmer than that) Also some last minute adjustments on handicap accessibility and laptop plug-ins but the train arrived only twenty minutes late from Seattle and was well attended, Amtrak west CEO Gil Mallery was on board as well as local and state officials. Bicycle access is through the baggage car up front and is able to accomodate 6 bikes with pre-arranged reservations through Amtrak. A word of note here: It seems that if you take your bike along on these Talgo's, not only do you not have to box your bike(the staff will assist on loading/unloading, but they will also pre-board you as well. At least that was the case in Portland.

No dining car between PDX and Sea as the market dictates the use of these cars $$$$ is better suited between Sea and Van. BC. Cabbage cars are as I understand it, still waiting to be modified for service.

I think that this new equipment will help to transform the NW and other regions into getting people to ride the trains again.
Chris KC7HTL
BTW: I did bring my radio with me and talked to a railham who was waiting at the Vancouver WA depot.

11. Re: Amtrak Cascades debut

Yahoo group: hamrailfans
Date: 1998-12-02 09:09:35 UTC
From: Stkntower@xxx.xxx
Topic: 10 Message: 11

Chris
Thanks for the update,sounds like you had fun on that excursion.
Now if the weather around Stockton would only co-operate as I have a camera full of film just waiting to be used,and a scanner that is fully charged.

John
wa1rka@...
http://stkntower.railfan.net

12. Stockton Area

Yahoo group: hamrailfans
Date: 1998-12-02 20:07:51 UTC
From: Stkntower@xxx.xxx
Topic: 12 Message: 12

Had a chance to get out and do some railfanning today and I am happy to say it was very busy around the old SP main today. In the half hour or so I had,there must have been 4 eastbound and 4 westbounds all converging at once in the south part of town. Lots of Cotton Belt and SSW power was visible.
Even saw a couple of odd things.....How about an all sp power with no UP yellow
in sight. Also saw a Conrail SD50 as part of eastbound grain train,and to top it off saw one of the repainted and renumbered old Western Paciifc units.

My camera was busy,didnt finish the roll but it sure felt good.

73

John
wa1rka@...
http://stkntower.railfan.net

13. 2 meters

Yahoo group: hamrailfans
Date: 1998-12-11 07:14:58 UTC
From: Stkntower@xxx.xxx
Topic: 13 Message: 13

Hi everyone,
I havent been following the latest developments in the 2 meter hand held area for
quite sometime now,and was recently asked by my daughter if I would like a new one for Christmas.. Any suggestions? that I can pass on to her.

Thanks
John Manter
wa1rka@...
http://stkntower.railfan.net

14. Scanners

Yahoo group: hamrailfans
Date: 1998-12-11 15:47:27 UTC
From: Stkntower@xxx.xxx
Topic: 14 Message: 14

How many have seen that thread on trainorders regarding scanner laws in the various states? I see Chris and myself have made a couple of comments. If you havent seen it give it a look as the question does raise some interesting issues. I do know that during my recent cross country trip last summer,the only state that really had anything posted about scanners being illegal for mobile use was in Illinois. However I wasnt to concerned about it,should I have been stopped,because the unit wasnt tuned to any of that states agencies,and also because as was pointed out federal law doesnt prohibit amateurs from having equipment that covers the various police agencies. At the time I was bored from all the driving so it was programmed to the railroad channels and to a couple of the satellites that operate in the 137 Mhz range.I must say it was interesting to see how far away the satellites could be received from a moving vehicle with just a 2 meter/440 on glass mount from Radio Shack. During the return trip the scanner did prove its value,as I saw clouds building well off in the distance just after leaving Laramie Wyoming,so I went to one of the Noaa weather channels and was well prepared for what Dad and myself were about to run into. Heavy Rain and winds,so heavy in fact that we were forced to pull off to the side on I-80 and wait it out for 20 minutes. I dont think I have ever seen heavier rain in my life.

John
wa1rka@...

15. Re: Scanners

Yahoo group: hamrailfans
Date: 1998-12-12 02:59:36 UTC
From: David W. Epling
Topic: 14 Message: 15

Speaking of scanners...Todd Clark posted a lengthy post on Trainorders about this issue today..good reading

David Epling
Central California Rails - http://cencalrails.railfan.net
Sacramento Central RR - http://saccentral.railfan.net
California Railfans Mailing List -
http://cencalrails.railfan.net/calrails.html

----- Original Message -----
From: <Stkntower@...>
To: <hamrailfans@onelist.com>
Sent: Friday, December 11, 1998 7:47 AM
Subject: [hamrailfans] Scanners

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16. Re: Scanners

Yahoo group: hamrailfans
Date: 1998-12-12 03:54:20 UTC
From: Guy Smiley
Topic: 14 Message: 16

According to the Communications Act of 1934, while it isn't illegal to monitor communications, it is theoretically illegal to divulge the contents of non-broadcast communications to third parties. In practice, however, the only time that I've ever heard of the FCC taking the issue up with anyone unless that individual used the intercepted communications for their own financial benefit, or causes extreme distress to one of the parties who was communicating.

In fact, the Martin case is the first I've heard of the FCC even looking at this. The Martin case, if you remember, was the incident in Florida where a couple of schoolteachers and Democrat flunkies tape recorded a cell phone conversation involving Speaker Gingrich and gave the tapes to some congress person who plastered it all over the media. While these two miscreants could have been sent to prison, I don't think that anything happened to them. So I would guess that the Web Page that puts out train conversations from a scanner is pretty safe.

Paul

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17. Rail friendly repeaters.

Yahoo group: hamrailfans
Date: 1998-12-14 05:45:39 UTC
From: mainstreeter@xxxx.xxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxx
Topic: 17 Message: 17

I have what is probably a short, but verified list of
railhams(hamrailfan) friendly repeaters here in the NW. Does anyone know
of any in their area?

Portland OR: 442.025/100.0 hz KGON Tower N7NLL
The Dalles OR: 442.025/94.8hz Juniper Pk N7NLL Not linked together yet
Woodland WA: 443.000/107.2hz Davis Pk WA7HTJ
monitored by railhams KB7PGL,N7RYX on these machines

Western WA: Everett(N. of Seattle) to Castle Rock(N.of Longview)
146.700/127.3hz Buck Mtn.W7FHZ
All of the above transmit and recieve these sub-audible tones

Chris KC7HTL

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18. Re: Rail friendly repeaters.

Yahoo group: hamrailfans
Date: 1998-12-14 06:02:47 UTC
From: Stkntower@xxx.xxx
Topic: 17 Message: 18

Chris,
You can add one to your list that I know doesnt have a problem with it being used.
Try the Amador County Amateur Radio Club repeater on 146.835 in Calif.
I am a member of that club and really havent had a problem with co-ordinating just about any activity from Races to Skywarn thru it. They want the machine used
and it is also linked to their 440 machine. I believe that is 446.125 for transmit
and receive is 441.125 if I remember correctly.

If anyone else knows of rail friendly repeaters,let me know and I will start a section on my web page to maintain the list.

John
wa1rka

19. Hello from KA0ZDA

Yahoo group: hamrailfans
Date: 1998-12-14 18:45:25 UTC
From: KA0ZDA@xxx.xxx
Topic: 19 Message: 19

KA0ZDA here, Steve from Cedar Rapids Iowa.
Until recently I worked for the Railroad Electronics group of Rockwell-Collins. The railroads group has recently been sold to Westinghouse Air Brake Company WABCO, and me with it. I work as a Field Support Engineer for the data group. That usually means dividing my time about 50/50 between working in the field somewhere in North America or the office. I mostly work on RF codeline (ATCS, ARES). Sometimes I spend time one other projects like Head of Train devices and crossing monitors. I count myself as very lucky to have a job that pays me to play with trains and radios.
On the side I?m a volunteer Firefighter and EMT. Ham radio wise I work 2m and 440 and generally like to do public service activities and storm chasing.

20. Re: 2 meters

Yahoo group: hamrailfans
Date: 1998-12-15 04:19:50 UTC
From: n0zezgfd@xxxx.xxx
Topic: 13 Message: 20

I have been very happy with my AT-600 from ADI. It is a 2 meter/70 cm.
Good response. Great price. Easy to operate.

George
George F. Davison, Jr.
N0zezgfd@...

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George F. Davison, Jr.
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21. Stockton Update

Yahoo group: hamrailfans
Date: 1998-12-15 21:16:35 UTC
From: Stkntower@xxx.xxx
Topic: 21 Message: 21

David Epling and I spent a couple of hours around the BNSF tower today and wanted
to pass on that the former WP main is scheduled to be cut away at the Santa Fe
crossing on January 12,1999. We also had a chat with one of the BNSF Special
Agents and he said his agency had been advised as they expect a large increase
in the number of railfans as that date approaches,and that they wont bother anyone
unless something downright stupid is done. He also had a request that if we had
photos of any dangerous situations his agency would appreciate copies. I can
think of a certain bonehead picture that was taken about 5 minutes before we were
talking with him and think David and I will hand deliver him a copy when I get the film
processed. Seems a certain lunch wagon didnt want to wait at a crossing and I got
him on film cutting right in front of the Morning trackage rights train.

73

John Manter

22. Trainorders

Yahoo group: hamrailfans
Date: 1999-01-06 23:31:15 UTC
From: Stkntower@xxx.xxx
Topic: 22 Message: 22

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If anyone hasnt heard from other lists,the server is back up.
Todd said it suffered a melt down over the weekend,and that the whole thing
would
be replaced in a couple of weeks. As of 1500 PST it was working just fine and
as
fast as ever.

John Manter
stkntower@...
http://stkntower.railfan.net
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23. Site Updated

Yahoo group: hamrailfans
Date: 1999-01-21 05:56:41 UTC
From: Stkntower@xxx.xxx
Topic: 23 Message: 23

Hi all,
This list has been kinda quiet,due to my recovering from the typical winter blues.
Did want to announce that my homepage now has mpg clips and sound files available. The video clips are in mpg format,just because of the compression available in that format.....The sound files are in the true speech format,if your
running windows 95 the media player supports the compressed wav format.
If not I have provided a link to the dspg homepage so the true speech player can
be downloaded. The player is available for both the Mac and Pc machines.

John Manter
wal1rka@...
stkntower@...
http://stkntower.railfan.net

24. Question

Yahoo group: hamrailfans
Date: 1999-02-04 07:35:59 UTC
From: Chris Stubblefield
Topic: 24 Message: 24

Haven't heard from the list in quite sometime, so I thought I would ask a question (railroad radio related, but not ham) What is ATCS? I assume this means Advanced Train control System What range of freqs. do they operate in. I believe KA0ZDA Steve mentioned that he was working in this area.

Did go up to Stampede Pass on Sun (snowshoes) but no train traffic. Trying to figure out why the BNSF has a 5/8 wave antenna connected to an yagi (enclosed in a composite housing which list the freq. range underneath of 400-512mhz) and is pointed towards the east, away from the entrance to the Stampede tunnel (east portal). Some kind of link? Searched on FCC database but came up empty for anything UHF.

Chris KC7HTL

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25. Re: Question

Yahoo group: hamrailfans
Date: 1999-02-04 21:55:34 UTC
From: Robert Schoenfeld
Topic: 24 Message: 25

On Thu, 4 Feb 1999, Chris Stubblefield wrote:

|>Date: Thu, 04 Feb 1999 02:35:59 EST
|>From: Chris Stubblefield <mainstreeter@...>
|>Reply-To: hamrailfans@onelist.com
|>To: hamrailfans@onelist.com
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That is the transmit control link for the 160 Mhz transmitter reciever. It
is a point to point link probably to the nearest microwave tower or fiber
optic terminal

73 de Bob

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+ e-mail:roberts@... _____ +
+ HomePage:http://www.liii.com/~roberts \ / +
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Annoy a fascist confront him with the facts
The road of life is a railroad
>From synergy@... Wed Sep 25 21:54:58 1996

Stupidity is bliss.

26. Re: Question

Yahoo group: hamrailfans
Date: 1999-02-05 02:41:09 UTC
From: KA0ZDA@xxx.xxx
Topic: 24 Message: 26

Chris and all,
I do work with ATCS and also ARES (Advanced Railroad Electronics System ?) which is a proprietary Rockwell system that came out before ATCS. The entire ATCS spec. is very lengthy and includes things like the definition of the 400 MHz packets that are used for EOTs. The spec also covers communications from a locomotive. The UP does some locomotive health reporting and work order reporting. Most of the time when people talk about ATCS or ARES these days they are talking about "RF codeline" systems.
Several years ago the railroads started to find it very expensive to maintain the pole lines along the track. With RF codeline each CTC control point has a data radio that talks to one a base station that is spaced out along the line. The base stations are often located microwave towers and are connected by some sort of 4 wire 9600 baud connection. The idea is to have each control point talk to more than one base station for redundancy purposes.
Many of this lists members seem to be in the Northwest so I?ll make some more specific comments on that area. First of all we do very little work with the UP. They have a fairly extensive ATCS network. ATCS has six 900 MHz duplex pairs that they use. As far as I know only one channel is used by any particular railroad. My company does extensive work with the former BN. They have an extensive ARES network. ARES uses existing railroad VHF frequencies. If you include Washington state and west just into Montana there are about 200 control points that are all run out of the communications node in Seattle. This information is then connected back to the dispatch center in Ft. Worth. ARES packets sound very much like ham packet radio packets.
Just today I was talking with some people in Ft. Worth. Apparently this summer there will be some major signal improvements on one of their lines around Seattle. We have been talking about if they will do that ATCS or fiber optic. Today the state agency that is helping to fund this balked at the extra million or so fiber would cost. So it looks like maybe later this year I?ll be out there to install ATCS equipment.
This weekend I?ll try and post another e-mail to the list and provide some more detailed information. Let me know if there is something you would like to know.

73s
Stephen Craven
ka0zda@...

>From: Chris Stubblefield <mainstreeter@...>
>
>Haven't heard from the list in quite sometime, so I thought I would ask a
>question (railroad radio related, but not ham) What is ATCS? I assume
>this means Advanced Train control System What range of freqs. do they
>operate in. I believe KA0ZDA Steve mentioned that he was working in this

>area.
>
>Did go up to Stampede Pass on Sun (snowshoes) but no train traffic.
>Trying to figure out why the BNSF has a 5/8 wave antenna connected to an
>yagi (enclosed in a composite housing which list the freq. range
>underneath of 400-512mhz) and is pointed towards the east, away from the
>entrance to the Stampede tunnel (east portal). Some kind of link?
>Searched on FCC database but came up empty for anything UHF.
>
>Chris KC7HTL

27. Need a part

Yahoo group: hamrailfans
Date: 1999-02-07 23:36:27 UTC
From: Stkntower@aol.com
Topic: 27 Message: 27

Hi all,
If any of you hams out there happen to have a couple of 88mh torroids,or know where
such can be purchased please let me know by e-mail. I am working on an old piece
of radio equipment and need these parts to finish the repair.These parts were quite
commonly found in old teletype demodulating equipment.

Thanks in advance

John Manter
wa1rka@...
http://stkntower.railfan.net

28. Re: Need a part

Yahoo group: hamrailfans
Date: 1999-02-08 03:46:58 UTC
From: Chris Stubblefield
Topic: 27 Message: 28

I don't have any torrid cores but I'll ask around. I do have a question. I picked up a motorola DTMF mic to use with my Yaesu mobile as the keypad buttons are larger. Both mics use a 6-pin modular connector, however the Motorola one was too big to fit. I bought a modular jack crimping tool to make a new one and first tried the same color coded wiring as in the Yaesu jack(green,gray?red,black,white,blue) and then used the one as the Motorola had (white,black,red,green,yellow,blue). Each time I could only get the DTMF buttons on the mic to light up but no carrier on the PTT. (the backlites on the DTMF would go out when I keyed up but nothing more) Any ideas on how to make this work?

Chris KC7HTL

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29. Re: Need a part

Yahoo group: hamrailfans
Date: 1999-02-08 05:36:51 UTC
From: Stkntower@xxx.xxx
Topic: 27 Message: 29

Chris,
I will ask a service tech for Motorola when I see him later in the week if he has any
ideas,or possibly access to a wiring diagram.....will let you know what I find out.

John
wa1rka

30. Help needed for plans

Yahoo group: hamrailfans
Date: 1999-02-17 16:41:12 UTC
From: Stkntower@xxx.xxx
Topic: 30 Message: 30

I just put this on the trainorders website,but will also make the same request here.
A friend of mine's husband is into building his own g-scale locomotives and is looking
for plans or drawings etc for "The best friend of Charleston" if any one can help
please let either myself know or you can e-mail his wife directly.

Her name is Linda,and her address is w6dq@...

Thanks in Advance.

John Manter
wa1rka@...

31. Wa1rka's STockton Tower Website

Yahoo group: hamrailfans
Date: 1999-03-08 23:16:07 UTC
From: David W. Epling
Topic: 31 Message: 31

This is a quick announcement on behalf of John Manter, Webmaster of wa1rka's Stockton tower, Hamrailfans Webrings and List moderator of the Hamrailfans mailing list:

At 0720 this morning John's father passed away at a local hospital here in Stockton California, for the next week or so, John will not be anywhere near his E-mail, Please remember him in your thoughts and prayers. please also direct any comments to me and I will see that John gets them as his mailbox will most likely fill before he gets around to reading them

David Epling
Central California Rails http://cencalrails.railfan.net
Sacramento Central RR http://saccentral.railfan.net
California Railfans List http://cencalrails.railfan.net/calrails.html

32. Freqs around BAKERSFIELD...

Yahoo group: hamrailfans
Date: 1999-03-09 20:45:39 UTC
From: Fletcher, Robert L SPK
Topic: 32 Message: 32

Besides the BNSF road freq. used between Stockton and Bakersfield, what other freqs would be good to use on the RR. in Bakersfield? Are there local yard freqs used there? Also, are there other needed freqs. used in the city? Don't need the taxi freqs, can't always understand them, Sounds like they got their training with a mic. in Grand Central Sta. Thanks in advance, Bob

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33. FW: freq.'s Part 2

Yahoo group: hamrailfans
Date: 1999-03-10 19:15:21 UTC
From: Fletcher, Robert L SPK
Topic: 33 Message: 33

So far, this is what I have been able to get for our train ride to
Bakersfield on the 20th., on the San Jo/ Amtrak.
Can anyone add any more freqs for the 2 RRs in that city? Thanks, Bob

> -----Original Message-----
> From: Don Eikenberry [SMTP:ike0069@...]
> Sent: Wednesday, March 10, 1999 10:20 AM
> To: RobertL" Fletcher
> Subject: freq's Part 2
>
> atsf
> 161.370 yard & car checker
> 161.190 intermodal facility
> 161.490/160.440 car dept.
>
> sp /UP
> 161.430 yard
> 160.275/161.310 car dept
> 160.470/161.220 pacific fruit express
>
> Here is all that i have for the bakersfield area.
> Hope that these will help you out
>
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> _____
> DO YOU YAHOO!?
> Get your free @... address at http://mail.yahoo.com

34. Moderator needed

Yahoo group: hamrailfans
Date: 1999-03-12 01:39:16 UTC
From: David W. Epling
Topic: 34 Message: 34

Dear Fellow Listonauts,

For those of you who missed my announcement regarding John "wa1rka" Manter's father's passing. As a follow-up to this, John has requested that a list moderator be found to replace him as he would like to have some adjustment time.

I myself am not a Ham, I am co-moderator of this list simply to help John out, and I already moderate the California Railfans List...if anyone is interested in assuming the duties of List moderator, please contact me off list.

thanks
David Epling
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35. Fw: [hamrailfans] Moderator needed

Yahoo group: hamrailfans
Date: 1999-03-12 04:49:48 UTC
From: David W. Epling
Topic: 35 Message: 35

Jim Duncan Has stepped up to the plate and will assume the duties of List Moderator and owner, his info is below

thanks Jim

David Epling
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-----Original Message-----
From: Jim Duncan <ku0g@...>
To: rogan@... <rogan@...>
Date: Thursday, March 11, 1999 8:31 PM
Subject: Re: [hamrailfans] Moderator needed

>I'd be interested AND have lots of time on my hands lately....
>--
>73 de Jim, KU0G
>Chairman/Coordinator
>Kansas City APRS Working Group, W0APR
>Rogue Squadron Storm Chasers
>Mailto:ku0g@...
>Webpage: http://www.kcaprs.org
>BorgNet: 1st of 10
>

36. Re: Fw: [hamrailfans] Moderator needed

Yahoo group: hamrailfans
Date: 1999-03-12 05:11:09 UTC
From: Jim Duncan
Topic: 35 Message: 36

WHOA!!!!! Wait a minute....All I said was:

"I'd be interested AND have lots of time on my hands lately...."

I haven't agreed to ANYTHING yet.....Please give me a little time to
assess this situation and see if it's really something that I want to
deal with....

"David W. Epling" wrote:
>
> From: "David W. Epling" <rogan@...>
>
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>
> thanks Jim
>
> David Epling
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37. Re: Fw: [hamrailfans] Moderator needed

Yahoo group: hamrailfans
Date: 1999-03-12 05:24:37 UTC
From: David W. Epling
Topic: 35 Message: 37

Ok all hold up a bit, my apologies to Jim, but I took his reply to mean that
he was willing to take it over, the fault is mine

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-----Original Message-----
From: Jim Duncan <ku0g@...>
To: hamrailfans@onelist.com <hamrailfans@onelist.com>
Date: Thursday, March 11, 1999 9:11 PM
Subject: [hamrailfans] Re: Fw: [hamrailfans] Moderator needed

>From: Jim Duncan <ku0g@...>
>
>WHOA!!!!! Wait a minute....All I said was:
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>Onelist: Fostering connections and information exchange
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38. Re: Fw: [hamrailfans] Moderator needed

Yahoo group: hamrailfans
Date: 1999-03-12 05:43:15 UTC
From: Guy Smiley
Topic: 35 Message: 38

David,

If Jim Duncan doesn't want the moderator job, I'll take it. This is a light list, and shouldn't be much work keeping it going.

Regards,

Paul

39. Re: Fw: [hamrailfans] Moderator needed

Yahoo group: hamrailfans
Date: 1999-03-12 07:06:37 UTC
From: David W. Epling
Topic: 35 Message: 39

Thanks. he has decided to take it over

David Epling
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-----Original Message-----
From: Guy Smiley <stumpie@...>
To: hamrailfans@onelist.com <hamrailfans@onelist.com>
Date: Thursday, March 11, 1999 10:42 PM
Subject: [hamrailfans] Re: Fw: [hamrailfans] Moderator needed

>From: Guy Smiley <stumpie@...>
>
>David,
>
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>light list, and shouldn't be much work keeping it going.
>
>Regards,
>
>Paul
>
>----------
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40. Spectra RR radio

Yahoo group: hamrailfans
Date: 1999-03-15 07:09:21 UTC
From: Chris Stubblefield
Topic: 40 Message: 40

Wen't up to the Mike and Key hamfest at Puyallup, WA (near tacoma) Sat. and while not really railroad related, did see something that caught my attention. Someone there was selling a Motorola Spectra RR radio that was about the size of a small cooler.
Apparently, this came from a Canadien RR somewhere as it was rated at 30 watts (Canada limits, but could be bumped up to 60 through the software) Had a carry handle on the side due to weight, the mic. is internal, no external mic and had according to the owner, very good selectivity. Would make a very good receiver and transmiter as well as it had a wide split(136-174mhz)
No, I didn't pick it up, at $1,000 it was just too much to consider. Anybody know what the specs on something like this is? The owner claimed that he could set it up in say downtown Seattle and receive very little if any intermod.

Did have a fun time on the way back listening to the RR on VHF and chatting on 440.

Chris KC7HTL

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41. Re: Spectra RR radio

Yahoo group: hamrailfans
Date: 1999-03-15 12:40:43 UTC
From: KA0ZDA@aol.com
Topic: 40 Message: 41

I would guess what you saw was a cleancab radio. The railroads have a physical spec for radios so they can easily slide them in an out of a standard mounting space. The front panel is roughly 12" wide and 6" high. There are then standard connectors for the power (+74 and +15) and microphone. The Motorola Spectra clean cab radio is probably in 90% of the locomotives in North America. If you open one up what you will find is a standard Spectra mobile radio put in a new case with a new front faceplate. The specs for a VHF high Spectra shouldn't be hard to find although I don't have them handy. Check Motorola's web site. As far as I know Motorola has always had their radios type accepted for the Ham band, where everyone else just does 148-174.

Stephen Craven
ka0zda

In a message dated 3/15/99 1:09:40 AM Central Standard Time,
mainstreeter@... writes:

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Chris KC7HTL
>>

42. Re: Spectra RR radio

Yahoo group: hamrailfans
Date: 1999-03-15 15:29:02 UTC
From: Guy Smiley
Topic: 40 Message: 42

KA0ZDA@... wrote:
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> From: KA0ZDA@...
>
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> physical spec for radios so they can easily slide them in an out of a
> standard mounting space. The front panel is roughly 12" wide and 6" high.
> There are then standard connectors for the power (+74 and +15) and microphone.

The only real difference between the AAR radio models and the commercial models is the addition of a 74V power supply, and probably the control head equiped with a handset rather than a PTT mike.

> The specs for a
> VHF high Spectra shouldn't be hard to find although I don't have them handy.
> Check Motorola's web site. As far as I know Motorola has always had their
> radios type accepted for the Ham band, where everyone else just does 148-174.

Sorta. Motorola traditionally made high-band radios in 2 increments. The first increment covered 136 Mcs (the top of the aircraft band I think) to somewhere around 157 Mcs. The second increment went from there to the top of the high-band. All the AAR radios were for the upper increment, so they were generally useless for ham work. You don't want to try to modify the tuned circuits to bring them down to low increment either. It's a pain in the butt and they never work right.

BTW, I have some good deals on AAR Micors. I'm tired of fooling around with them. I went out and bought some Radius radios. Since all our locomotives have 32V systems, we use commerical radios, and power them with a deep cycle battery. The 12V battery is kept charged off of the 32V system by way of a small power converter. Much cheaper and it works just fine.

73

Paul WA6OKQ

43. Re: Digest Number 21

Yahoo group: hamrailfans
Date: 1999-03-15 16:35:56 UTC
From: Phil Kane
Topic: 43 Message: 43

> Date: Mon, 15 Mar 1999 02:09:21 EST
> From: Chris Stubblefield <mainstreeter@...>
> Subject: Spectra RR radio
>
> No, I didn't pick it up, at $1,000 it was just too much to
>consider.

The Spectra is a good hunk of iron, though. $1K is not
excessive for it.

>Anybody know what the specs on something like this is?

I don;t have my Motorola catalog handy but it is one of the
commercial land-mobile top-end radios.

>Did have a fun time on the way back listening to the RR on VHF and
>chatting on 440.

I will be relocating to the Portland, Oregon area this summer.
Are there any 2m or 440 repeaters in the Portalnd-to-Seattle
corridor that cater to ham railfans? I am the trusteee of a
club station for the "Railfans Amateur Radio Club" and would
not mind getting together with like-minded people in the
Portland area who have the site and equipment.

73 de Phil Kane - K2ASP

44. Re: Digest Number 21

Yahoo group: hamrailfans
Date: 1999-03-15 17:03:13 UTC
From: Chris Stubblefield
Topic: 43 Message: 44

>
> I will be relocating to the Portland, Oregon area this summer.
> Are there any 2m or 440 repeaters in the Portalnd-to-Seattle
> corridor that cater to ham railfans? I am the trusteee of a
> club station for the "Railfans Amateur Radio Club" and would
> not mind getting together with like-minded people in the
> Portland area who have the site and equipment.
>
> 73 de Phil Kane - K2ASP
>
In Portland, 442.025 + 100hz (KGON tower) N7NLL (This guy and several
others meet for pizza on Sun. night in Portland. Can give you the
location)
Portland-Longview WA 443.000+ 107hz (Davis Pk)WA7HSJ
Olympia Wa-Seattle 146.700- 127.3 W7FHZ (NP railfan and WADOT radio
tech)

If you can come to Sea-Pac ham convention at Seaside OR June 5-6. I'll
be there along with several railhams on the setup crew.

73's de KC7HTL

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45. Re: Spectra RR radio

Yahoo group: hamrailfans
Date: 1999-03-15 18:07:55 UTC
From: KA0ZDA@xxx.xxx
Topic: 40 Message: 45

Paul,
You should talk with some BN folks about those Micors, I think every one of their dispatcher bases that I have seen is still a Micor. They took them off locomotives and put them in as bases. Been there ever since.

Stephen
ka0zda

In a message dated 3/15/99 10:28:17 AM Central Standard Time, stumpie@...
writes:

<< BTW, I have some good deals on AAR Micors. I'm tired of fooling around with them. I went out and bought some Radius radios. Since all our locomotives have 32V systems, we use commerical radios, and power them with a deep cycle battery. The 12V battery is kept charged off of the 32V system by way of a small power converter. Much cheaper and it works just fine.

73

Paul WA6OKQ >>

46. TRUNKED FREQS FOR SACRAMENTO CITY with LIGHT RAIL included.

Yahoo group: hamrailfans
Date: 1999-03-15 20:41:46 UTC
From: Fletcher, Robert L SPK
Topic: 46 Message: 46

Sirs; There are 3 known sets of trunked freqs. out on the internet/lists and they have the City of Sacramento showing only 2 IDs. for the Regional Transit sys, only one ID for light rail. There are 12 that I have heard. I am not sure the titles of each are.
The following IDs are the ones I have found., And even then I am not sure they are correct except the main one, 11408.
11280 bus-?
11312 bus
11314 ?
11316 bus
11408 light rail, This is the main ID/channel
11442 ?
11472 ?
11504 police?
11536 enforce?
11568 ?
11612 ?
12336 ?
12400 ?
12472 LR/wayside

I am sure there are other IDs for light rail, but I can not seem to find them.
Who can reply with the total number of IDs and their titles? All the different trunked lists could be brought up to date
with the titles of each.
The "Police Call" book, the RS pamphlet that comes with the Pro 90 are both different with the freqs. Does anyone know any of the Sacramento county people that work with the MOTOROLA TYPE 11 analog system. I may have some IDs that are not part of light rail, If any can correct that, please do so!
The county is in charge of these trunked frequencies. It sure would be nice if someone had the phone # for that part of the county that could answer these questions, Anyone? Thanks in advance, Bob

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47. Re: PDX Railfan Radio

Yahoo group: hamrailfans
Date: 1999-03-16 18:12:25 UTC
From: Phil Kane
Topic: 47 Message: 47

> Date: Mon, 15 Mar 1999 12:03:13 EST
> From: Chris Stubblefield <mainstreeter@...>
> Subject: Re: Digest Number 21
>
>> I will be relocating to the Portland, Oregon area this summer.
>> Are there any 2m or 440 repeaters in the Portalnd-to-Seattle
>> corridor that cater to ham railfans?

>In Portland, 442.025 + 100hz (KGON tower) N7NLL (This guy and several
>others meet for pizza on Sun. night in Portland. Can give you the
>location)

>Portland-Longview WA 443.000+ 107hz (Davis Pk)WA7HSJ

>Olympia Wa-Seattle 146.700- 127.3 W7FHZ (NP railfan and WADOT radio
>tech)
>
>If you can come to Sea-Pac ham convention at Seaside OR June 5-6. I'll
>be there along with several railhams on the setup crew.

Can't make that one (that's when we are showing our house for
sale).

Thanks for the info. CU on the air.

73 de Phil Kane - K2ASP

48. FW: TRUNKED FREQS FOR SACRAMENTO CITY with LIGHT RAIL included.

Yahoo group: hamrailfans
Date: 1999-03-23 16:58:17 UTC
From: Fletcher, Robert L SPK
Topic: 48 Message: 48

Is there anyone on these 4 lists that may have any info about these IDs?
Thanks in advance, Bob

> -----Original Message-----
> From: Fletcher, Robert L SPK
> Sent: Monday, March 15, 1999 12:42 PM
> To: 'ALAN STOREY'; 'HAM-RAIL-FAN'; 'SCAN norCAL'; 'CALscan'
> Subject: TRUNKED FREQS FOR SACRAMENTO CITY with LIGHT RAIL included.
>
> Sirs; There are 3 known sets of trunked freqs. out on the
> internet/lists and they have the City of Sacramento showing only 2 IDs.
> for the Regional Transit sys, only one ID for light rail. There are 12
> that I have heard. I am not sure the titles of each are.
> The following IDs are the ones I have found., And even then I am not sure
> they are correct except the main one, 11408.
> 11280 bus-?
> 11312 bus
> 11314 ?
> 11316 bus
> 11408 light rail, This is the main ID/channel
> 11442 ?
> 11472 ?
> 11504 police?
> 11536 enforce?
> 11568 ?
> 11612 ?
> 12336 ?
> 12400 ?
> 12472 LR/wayside
>
> I am sure there are other IDs for light rail, but I can not seem to find
> them.
> Who can reply with the total number of IDs and their titles? All the
> different trunked lists could be brought up to date
> with the titles of each.
> The "Police Call" book, the RS pamphlet that comes with the Pro 90 are
> both different with the freqs. Does anyone know any of the Sacramento
> county people that work with the MOTOROLA TYPE 11 analog system. I may
> have some IDs that are not part of light rail, If any can correct that,
> please do so! The county is in charge of these trunked frequencies. It
> sure would be nice if someone had the phone # for that part of the county
> that could answer these questions, Anyone? Thanks in advance, Bob
>
>

> Bob Fletcher
> Drafting unit, 1325 "J" street
> U.S. Army Corps of Engineers,
> SACRAMENTO CALIFORNIA,
> 95814-2922
> 1 (916) 557-7235
> rfletcher@... (NEW ADDRESS)
>
>

49. Info needed

Yahoo group: hamrailfans
Date: 1999-04-08 07:20:37 UTC
From: David W. Epling
Topic: 49 Message: 49

John Manter (Stockton Tower Website) and myself are driving across the country departing Stockton California on May 7th. we will be staying the night at the Motel 6 in the following locations: Wells Nevada, Cheyenne Wyoming, Omaha Nebraska, South Bend Indiana, and Syracuse New York, ultimately arriving in Bangor Maine where we will spend a week while John lays his father's Cremains to rest in the family plot.

We will be doing a certain amount of railfanning along the way and in Maine, and on the way home, can anyone give me some information as to what we can expect as far as railfanning goes along the way?

We will also be on the 2-meter band during the trip as john is bringing his portable radio, so listen out for us, or tell us when to listen for you

David Epling
Central California Rails http://cencalrails.railfan.net
Sacramento Central RR http://saccentral.railfan.net
California Railfans List http://cencalrails.railfan.net/calrails.html

50. FW: UP DATED LISTS?

Yahoo group: hamrailfans
Date: 1999-04-09 16:10:59 UTC
From: Fletcher, Robert L SPK
Topic: 50 Message: 50

2ND TRY! BOB

BOB FLETCHER
Drafting unit, 1325 "J" street
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rfletcher@... (NEW ADDRESS)

> -----Original Message-----
> From: Fletcher, Robert L SPK
> Sent: Friday, April 09, 1999 7:06 AM
> To: 'CALscan'; 'DAVE'S LIST,ONE LIST'; 'EARL..AMTRAK'; 'ERIK'; 'FR.
> WAYLAND BROWN'; 'Geert'; 'HAM-RAIL-FAN'; 'Jimmy WP/UPRR'; 'OBSERVATION CAR
> LIST'; 'OS List'; 'RS'; 'SCAN norCAL'; 'Serail'; 'Thomas Chandler';
> 'Trolley list'; 'TRUNK COMM'
> Subject: UP DATED LISTS?
>
> Sirs, Has anyone compiled the latest lists for
> anything in RRing,trains,
> and comm, radio, scanners and related lists?
> I am looking for new updates. Thanks in advance, Bob
>
> o BOB FLETCHER
> Drafting unit, 1325 "J" street
> U.S. Army Corps of Engineers,
> SACRAMENTO CALIFORNIA,
> 95814-2922
> 1 (916) 557-7235
> rfletcher@... (NEW ADDRESS)
>
>

51. FW: Sacramento trunking

Yahoo group: hamrailfans
Date: 1999-04-12 15:06:44 UTC
From: Fletcher, Robert L SPK
Topic: 51 Message: 51

Sirs: Some on the above list helped me with the trunked freq. for
Sacramento and the county, Would that person/s please come forward again
and do so for George Bukowski, kn6ep@...

I honestly don't know that much about trunking except that it works for me.
Thanks to all, Bob

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Drafting unit, 1325 "J" street
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SACRAMENTO CALIFORNIA,
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1 (916) 557-7235
rfletcher@... (NEW ADDRESS)

> -----Original Message-----
> From: George Bukowski [SMTP:kn6ep@...]
> Sent: Friday, April 09, 1999 4:25 PM
> To: rfletcher@...
> Subject: Sacramento trunking
>
> Hi Bob - I am a fellow Sacramento County resident and had a question
> on trunk tracking. You seem to know a lot about scanning, so I
> wondered if I could give it a try.
>
> I have a Uniden 235xlt tt scanner. I noticed that when programmed
> with county and city freqencies, that by display talkgroup output the
> county is type 1 and the city is type 2. Yet, the police call books,
> I am told, give type 2 talkgoup numbers for both the county and city.
> (That is, when I program city and county frequencies, the display I
> get for the the city are 2300, 1300, etc. When I program the county I
> get 100-0, 100-6, etc. The Police Call seems to think that both city
> and county should be type 2, that is all numeral with no sub-fleets.)
>
> Can you shed some light on this for me? Do you find that Sac
> city and county have different type truncking systems?
>
> Thanks for your time.
>
> George
> Carmichael
> KN6EP
>
> _____
> Get Free Email and Do More On The Web. Visit http://www.msn.com

52. UP/SP UNITS?

Yahoo group: hamrailfans
Date: 1999-04-12 18:06:58 UTC
From: Fletcher, Robert L SPK
Topic: 52 Message: 52

Does UP have a 7313 unit? Also I saw the 8694 and 8684 (SP), but I could not fine the 3 units in the 1998 Locomotive Directory by Don Strack. IF they ARE in the book, on what pages are they located? I was out to the west end of the Roseville yard Thursday night and took down these numbers as well as 13 other units, they are in the book. I guess 13 out of 16 ain't bad! Thanks to all, Bob

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53. Fw: [onelist_moderators] Scheduled Maintenance

Yahoo group: hamrailfans
Date: 1999-04-17 02:35:58 UTC
From: David W. Epling
Topic: 53 Message: 53

This comes from the tech people at Onelist

David Epling
Central California Rails http://cencalrails.railfan.net
Sacramento Central RR http://saccentral.railfan.net
California Railfans List http://cencalrails.railfan.net/calrails.html

----- Original Message -----
From: ONElist Tech Support <admin@onelist.com>
To: <onelist_moderators@onelist.com>; <onelist_announce@onelist.com>
Sent: Friday, April 16, 1999 6:56 PM
Subject: [onelist_moderators] Scheduled Maintenance

> From: ONElist Tech Support <admin@onelist.com>
>
> Hello,
>
> The ONElist system will be down for scheduled maintenance Saturday
evening,
> April 17, 1999. We will be off-line from 10pm to Midnight Pacific Time
> while we upgrade the system.
>
> Email sent during this time will be stored and sent once we are back
on-line.
>
> Thanks for using ONElist!
>
>
> The ONElist Team
>
> ---
> Share the wealth!
> http://www.ONElist.com
> Tell a friend about ONElist's 115,000 free e-mail communities!
>

54. Skunk Locos...

Yahoo group: hamrailfans
Date: 1999-04-21 19:51:14 UTC
From: Fletcher, Robert L SPK
Topic: 54 Message: 54

Walt, do you know of any way The CWRR could bring #45 and #14 to Rail Fair? They are both steam engines. If the FRA allows the NWP to start running, would it be possible? Thanks, Bob

55. FW: [SCANnorCAL] Fw: Littleton Sheriff Dispatcher's Message

Yahoo group: hamrailfans
Date: 1999-04-22 14:11:49 UTC
From: Fletcher, Robert L SPK
Topic: 55 Message: 55

The reason I sent this out to all of you is because we as a nation are
suffering a large amount of grief. I only ask that we think of the well
being of those that were wounded and the families of the deceased. Bob
-----Original Message-----
From: Harry Marnell [mailto:marnells@...]
Sent: Wednesday, April 21, 1999 7:58 PM
To: KMA367@onelist.com
Subject: [SCANnorCAL] Fw: Littleton Sheriff Dispatcher's Message

The following message was posted to the alt.emergency.services.dispatcher
newsgroup Wednesday morning by Communications Supervisor Cindy Cline, who
has an email address of Ccline5514@... <mailto:Ccline5514@...>

Harry
marnells@... <mailto:marnells@...>

-----Original Message-----
From: CCline5514 < ccline5514@... <mailto:ccline5514@...> >
Newsgroups: alt.emergency.services.dispatcher
Date: Wednesday, April 21, 1999 01:22
Subject: Columbine High Shootings--Littleton Colorado

>" I want to start off by THANKING everyone who has contacted me personally
and
for all of the great and wonderful things that you have all been saying on
these lists. I "thought" I was doing fine until I read these....now the
emotions are coming to surface.

Yes, I am a Communications Supervisor at Jefferson County Sheriff's Office,
and
we are the investigating authority for the incident at the school

Our first call came in at 1115 hours 4/20/99 of an explosion at one of our
major intersections. At the same time another of our call takers was taking
information on a female down in the parking lot at the school.

Turns out the explosion was a pipe bomb to divert us from the school while
the
kids went in and started the shooting.

Things were pretty tense around there until close to midnight--13 hours
after
the incident started. The school had been "booby trapped" with explosive
devices throughout the school that we had to find and detonate.

We normally staff with 3 dispatchers, 2 call takers and a supervisor. To say
the least when this all went down, a lot of people were called in-me

included!!! We had all 7 positions covered, with 2 people at each position---one handling the radio traffic, one handling the phone traffic. Our command staff was present, as was the County Administrator and two of our County Commissioners. We had Victim Advocates in the Communications Center, and before the night was over we had a Massage Therapist in giving us all massages!!!

One of our dispatchers was on the phone for over 2 hours with a group of students and a teacher who had been shot at least 2 times. We kept them on the phone, talking to them as they were barricaded in a class room. Kevin (the dispatcher) did an excellent job in maintaining the calm in the room in the midst of chaos. We eventually got the SWAT team to the room where the people were and got medical attention to the party who was shot. I don't have a status on the victim from this specific portion of the call.

President Clinton called our Communications Center to offer his condolences and whatever support was needed. We were hearing rumors late this evening that Mr. Clinton may even pay a visit to the School and survey the situation. This is unconfirmed at this time.

When I left the office at 0130 to come home and try to get a few hours of rest before I head back in for more of the same, the body count was up to 19--17 Students and faculty and the two suspects. There were over 20 others shot and transported to local facilities.

Again, thanks to all for the support. It means more than you'll ever know.

I've printed out all the messages and will take them to work and share them with everyone.

Cindy Cline
Communications Supervisor
Jefferson County Sheriff's Office
Golden, CO

56. List Rules....

Yahoo group: hamrailfans
Date: 1999-04-22 21:24:30 UTC
From: Jim Duncan
Topic: 56 Message: 56

Everyone.....

Please.....

Keep postings on this list "on topic". Other forwarded messages, regardless of their intent or the personal feelings of the sender should not be CC'd to this list.

This is not a moderated list and will remain open as long as we stay "on topic", namely ham radio AND railfanning combination....

--
73 de Jim, KU0G
List Owner/Moderator

57. List Rules and Action...

Yahoo group: hamrailfans
Date: 1999-04-23 03:34:58 UTC
From: Jim Duncan
Topic: 57 Message: 57

Most of you don't know me, so as a means of introduction let me give you some information....

About six weeks ago I agreed to take over ownership/moderatorship of this discussion group when the original owner was unable to continue due to personal problems.

I've pretty much left things alone and allowed it to run itself since there seems to be very little traffic here. I'd like to see that change, actually.

To make a long story short, here are the Rules which you, by virtue of remaining subscribed, agree to follow:

1) No foul, obscene, suggestive, racially or sexually explicit messages are allowed. This will result in immediate banning of the posting party without warning!

2) Unless it is specifically oriented or applicable to being an amateur radio operator AND railfanning, it doesn't belong on this list. PERIOD. You get one warning, your postings will be placed on "moderated" status and it stays that way until we can be certain that you follow the rules.

3) Please do not quote entire messages when replying. Not only is it rude but think of how many email messages you've read where someone quotes and entire message and then adds a "me, too!" at the end. Doesn't that just irritate the snot out of you?

4) Don't even THINK about flaming someone "on list"! Public Flame-mail will get you banned in a heartbeat!

5) Finally, it may be "my" list (in a manner of speaking), but it's a public forum. Please be kind. Treat others as you would your dearest family member. Above all, THINK! The feelings that don't get hurt MAY be your own.

There it is, plain and simple, friends. I have already placed one list member on moderated status, so be ye forewarned. I'm basically a nice guy but I HATE abuse of email.....

Now, let's get back to talking trains and radios!
--
73 de Jim, KU0G
Chairman/Coordinator
Kansas City APRS Working Group, W0APR
First Alert Storm Team -- KMBC-TV
Mailto:ku0g@...

Webpage: http://www.kcaprs.org

58. Fwd: Congress and Email

Yahoo group: hamrailfans
Date: 1999-04-23 04:01:02 UTC
From: Charles D. Miller
Topic: 58 Message: 58

********** BEGIN FORWARDED MESSAGE **********

On 4/21/99 at 8:39 AM George A. Rice, Jr. <garice@...>
wrote:
CNN reported that in the next two weeks, Congress is going to
vote on allowing telephone companies to charge for Internet
access. That means, every time we make a long distance email we
will receive a long distance charge. This will get costly.
Please visit to the following web site and complain. Complain
to your Congressman. Don't allow this to pass.

http://www.house.gov/writerep

(THIS IS A PAGE I'M GOING TO USE MORE OFTEN !!!!!)

Pass this on to your friends. It is URGENT!
I hope all of you will pass this on to all your friends and
family. All of us have an interest in this one. PLEASE FORWARD
TO EVERYONE YOU KNOW TODAY BEFORE IT IS TOO LATE!!!!

This message was received from a friend and I am passing it on.

George / Bennye Rice

********** END FORWARDED MESSAGE **********
Charles D. Miller
E-Mail: cdmiller@...

59. Re: Fwd: Congress and Email

Yahoo group: hamrailfans
Date: 1999-04-23 04:09:14 UTC
From: Harry Marnell
Topic: 58 Message: 59

Charles -

Do you know the number, name or sponsors of this bill? I've heard these things before, but they always turned out not to be so.

Thanks

harry
-----Original Message-----
Subject: [hamrailfans] Fwd: Congress and Email

********** BEGIN FORWARDED MESSAGE **********

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60. Re: Fwd: Congress and Email

Yahoo group: hamrailfans
Date: 1999-04-23 05:54:19 UTC
From: Jim Duncan
Topic: 58 Message: 60

This is the oldest scam on the Internet, folks. It's an urban legend. Disregard it...surfaces every 3 to 4 weeks. A reminder....This stuff doesn't belong on this list....

Two more users going to "moderated" postings....

--
73 de Jim, KU0G
Chairman/Coordinator
Kansas City APRS Working Group, W0APR
First Alert Storm Team -- KMBC-TV
Mailto:ku0g@...
Webpage: http://www.kcaprs.org

61. Re: Fwd: Congress and Email

Yahoo group: hamrailfans
Date: 1999-04-23 14:03:21 UTC
From: Robert Schoenfeld
Topic: 58 Message: 61

There is no such bill before Congress of and FCC regulations either Both
are urban legends

73 de Bob

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+ +
+ e-mail:roberts@... _____ +
+ HomePage:http://www.liii.com/~roberts \ / +
+ \ / +
+ | +
+ WA2AQQ | +
+ | +
+ Home repeater LIMARC 146.85 +
+ +
+ These opinion are MINE and tough if you don't like them +
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Annoy a fascist confront him with the facts
The road of life is a railroad
>From synergy@... Wed Sep 25 21:54:58 1996
Stupidity is bliss.

62. freds and mary's?

Yahoo group: hamrailfans
Date: 1999-05-03 05:42:14 UTC
From: Chris Stubblefield
Topic: 62 Message: 62

I know what the acronym for FRED stand for but what about the on board device that transmits the locomotives commands back to the fred? I've heard this refered to as a "Mary" What is the battery life of the Fred and about how many watts does each device transmit? I've picked up Freds and (Marys) from a few blocks away to several miles.

Chris Stubblefield
KC7HTL

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63. Re: freds and mary's?

Yahoo group: hamrailfans
Date: 1999-05-03 18:17:59 UTC
From: Chris & Kathleen
Topic: 62 Message: 63

Hi all
the name here is Chris and I am looking for someone to go out and rail
watch trains. I live in the Roseburg Oregon area and if there is any one in
the are
please E-mail me at wb8ypo@...

73
chris

64. Re: rail fans in Oregon

Yahoo group: hamrailfans
Date: 1999-05-03 21:46:56 UTC
From: Chris & Kathleen
Topic: 64 Message: 64

Hi all
the name here is Chris and I am looking for someone to go out and rail
watch trains. I live in the Roseburg Oregon area and if there is any one in
the are
please E-mail me at wb8ypo@...

73
chris

65. Re: freds and mary's?

Yahoo group: hamrailfans
Date: 1999-05-04 11:00:49 UTC
From: Jim Ley
Topic: 62 Message: 65

I've heard of the FRED recievers referred to as "Mrs. Fred" (on my and other railroads) or "Fredette". "Mary" is a new one on me...
I'm an Engineer for Yolo Shortline

73 de N6LVI

Chris Stubblefield wrote:

> From: Chris Stubblefield <mainstreeter@...>
>
> I know what the acronym for FRED stand for but what about the on board
> device that transmits the locomotives commands back to the fred? I've
> heard this refered to as a "Mary" What is the battery life of the Fred
> and about how many watts does each device transmit? I've picked up Freds
> and (Marys) from a few blocks away to several miles.
>
> Chris Stubblefield
> KC7HTL
>
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http://www.jps.net/n6lvi/

66. Re: freds and mary's?

Yahoo group: hamrailfans
Date: 1999-05-04 11:02:33 UTC
From: Jim Ley
Topic: 62 Message: 66

Sorry, I forgot to answer the other question previously. The battery
life on a FRED is about 48 hours +/-.

73 de N6LVI

Chris Stubblefield wrote:

> From: Chris Stubblefield <mainstreeter@...>
>
> I know what the acronym for FRED stand for but what about the on board
> device that transmits the locomotives commands back to the fred? I've
> heard this refered to as a "Mary" What is the battery life of the Fred
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> Chris Stubblefield
> KC7HTL
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67. Upcoming Trip

Yahoo group: hamrailfans
Date: 1999-05-04 19:14:22 UTC
From: David Epling
Topic: 67 Message: 67

Hello all,

This coming Friday (May 7th) John Manter (Stockton Tower Website http://stkntower.railfan.net) and I are leaving for a 2 week drive across The United States. We will be stopping for the night at the Motel 6 in the following cities: Wells, NV: Cheyenne, WY: Omaha, NE: South Bend, IN: and Syracuse, NY. Ultimately we will end up in Maine

We are time sensitive going to Maine as John needs to take care of some personal business in Brunswick on the 12th but our trip home will be a railfan trip with a stop at Steamtown, and if possible Horseshoe Curve. to that end we need scanner frequencies for the areas East of Salt Lake City Utah.

For those of you with Ham Radios, John is bringing a portable radio and we will be found on the 2 meter band, John's Call letters are wa1rka.

We also will have a laptop computer and modem with us. On my Central California Rails Website, I have created a new Page, it is called "Rails Across America" on our nightly stops I will be posting Digital images taken during the day while we cross America. we will also be available by E-mail.

See you on the road

David Epling
Central California Rails: http://cencalrails.railfan.net
Sacramento Central RR: http://saccentral.railfan.net
International Railfair: http://www.mei-protel.com/irf.htm

68. Vancouver B.C. request

Yahoo group: hamrailfans
Date: 1999-05-05 15:10:50 UTC
From: mw_tama@xx.xxxxxxxxx.xx
Topic: 68 Message: 68

I wonder if any one on the list has the freq's used in Richmond or the Tilbury industrial area of Delta?If anyone is interested I will post my list for the Vancouver area.Thanks

69. "Over" and "Out" and other railroad radio stuff

Yahoo group: hamrailfans
Date: 1999-06-03 02:10:34 UTC
From: Harry Marnell
Topic: 69 Message: 69

Starting at various dates, mostly July 1, 1999, the FRA has issued a bunch of clarifications and changes in the railroads' use of radios and other communications equipment. It's typically government-ese, but they require "large" (defined) railroads to have most locos equipped with backup communications capabilities (e.g. cellular), etc

They even debated whether the requirement (?) of using the words "over" or "out" to indicate that a conversation is finished:

"FRA has decided to retain ``over and out'' in the final rule, except in yard switching operations, where radio congestion is a frequent problem and rapid delivery of
information supports real time decisions that are crucial to safety. "

The whole thing is at http://www.fra.dot.gov/s/regs/misc/radiofr.htm

The occasionally interesting parts are, well, interesting....

Harry Marnell, N6URU
==> http://www.snowcrest.net/marnells

70. Re: Hamfest this weekend

Yahoo group: hamrailfans
Date: 1999-06-03 02:53:33 UTC
From: Chris Stubblefield
Topic: 70 Message: 70

Just a reminder for all amatuers and those wishing to be...

The 1999 ARRL NW Division Sea-Pac hamfest will be this weekend at the Seaside, OR convention center June 5-6. I along with other railhams will be in attendance starting Thurs. evening on the setup commitee. Feel free to call us up or introduce yourselves this weekend. I'll be on 147.36 simplex.

Chris Stubblefield KC7HTL

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71. Test

Yahoo group: hamrailfans
Date: 1999-06-06 17:11:16 UTC
From: Chris & Kathleen
Topic: 71 Message: 71

I am not getting mail from this list is it still a working list
Chris
wb8ypo@...

72. Re: Test

Yahoo group: hamrailfans
Date: 1999-06-06 17:36:24 UTC
From: Charles D. Miller
Topic: 71 Message: 72

Yes it is still working. Not much on it lately.

********** REPLY SEPARATOR **********

On 6/6/99 at 10:11 AM Chris & Kathleen wrote:

>From: Chris & Kathleen <wb8ypo@...>
>
>I am not getting mail from this list is it still a working list

>Chris
>wb8ypo@...
>
>
>----------

>Give back to your community through "Grow to Give."
>http://www.onelist.com
>Deadline is June 19. See homepage for details.

Charles D. Miller
cdmiller@...

73. Re: Test

Yahoo group: hamrailfans
Date: 1999-06-06 17:41:22 UTC
From: David Epling
Topic: 71 Message: 73

Yes the list is still active, it currently has 57 members, you guys need to start posting

David Epling
Central California Rails: http://cencalrails.railfan.net
Sacramento Central RR: http://saccentral.railfan.net
International Railfair: http://www.mei-protel.com/irf.htm

74. McCloudRR & 4449 on High Line 6/12 weekend

Yahoo group: hamrailfans
Date: 1999-06-06 21:39:02 UTC
From: Harry Marnell
Topic: 74 Message: 74

Ex-SP 4449 coming south next weekend - June 12-14 - from Oregon to Sacto via the inside High Line. See www.4449.com

Also, McCloudRR sending excursion steam train McCloud-Lookout to meet & pick up a car from 4449's consist. See www.mctrain.com

Can we get a list together of railroad & ham repeater freqs for this area? Ham simplex gonna be 146.49??

75. McCloud / High Line excursion info & freq request

Yahoo group: hamrailfans
Date: 1999-06-06 21:51:11 UTC
From: Harry Marnell
Topic: 75 Message: 75

This isn't on the McCloud RR page, so here's the scoop on the excursion...don't know if any seats are left:

AFAIK, McCloud RR uses 160.695 (R)
Repeater in Mt Shasta on 146.82...unk PL
Repeater in Burney on 147.03 with good coverage.

More freqs, please???

On Sunday June 13, l999 the McCloud Railway will operate a Steam-powered excursion with it's 2-6-2 #25 from McCloud, CA to Lookout, CA to meet the SP #4449 and it's train on it's way to Railfair '99.
This is the first time McCloud #25 has run all the way to Lookout, CA on this BNSF section of track that the McCloud Railway has trackage rights over. Also this is the first time the #4449 has traveled down the famous "Inside Gateway" to California. #25 will have Diesel assist on the 130-mile round trip, but the diesel will be cut off for the SEVERAL PHOTO RUNBYS that are scheduled! Once the #25 and her train arrive at Lookout she will meet #4449 for additional photo oppurtunities. The 4449 and her train will be stopping at Lookout to service and to drop off one of the McCloud Railways private passenger cars that is returning from a trip it made to Oregon. Passengers will have the rare and exclusive oppurtunity to photograph the arrival, service, switching and departure of the #4449's train on it's way to Railfair '99. #25 and #4449 will be posed for some RARE photos! Also on the 4449's train is the 90-ton Mount Emily Shay #1 that is particpating in the Railfair events.
The excursion INCLUDES (1) a Continental Breakfast, (2) a Gourmet Lunch, and (3) a Full Dinner - all for only
$69.00!! This together with the Photo stops, rare mileage and the beautiful scenery along the slopes of Mount Shasta make this a GREAT oppurtunity for any railfan!
The trip departs McCloud at 7:30am on the 13th and will arrive back at approximately 6:00 - 7:00pm tht night. For reservations call the McCloud Railway at (800) 733-2141 or (530) 964-2142. Hurry - this trip is only open to the first 96 people! You can't beat the Train, the photos, the food, the scenery - OR the price!

Harry Marnell, N6URU
~~> http://www.snowcrest.net/marnells

76. Re: McCloud / High Line excursion info & freq request

Yahoo group: hamrailfans
Date: 1999-06-07 01:05:18 UTC
From: Chris Stubblefield
Topic: 75 Message: 76

Bend OR area: 147.360+ Neil McKie (WA6KLA) lives here and can elaborate more.

Will post others that I can think of later.

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77. OK, here's a post

Yahoo group: hamrailfans
Date: 1999-06-07 02:47:06 UTC
From: Jim Ley
Topic: 77 Message: 77

Yolo Shortline will operate a steam powered freight train Tuesday, June 8, timed to meet the UP 3985 at Mikon (West Sacramento) while the 3985 is on the OLS trip from Roseville to Davis and return. I will be firing YSL 1233 and all of us plan to be well equipped with camera gear. YSL operates on AAR channel 1010, 160.26mhz.
One thing we're not too sure about is the planned departure time from Roseville for the 3985, so we can be at Mikon at the right time.

73 de N6LVI
Jim Ley

David Epling wrote:

> From: "David Epling" <rogan@...>
>
> Yes the list is still active, it currently has 57 members, you guys need to
> start posting
>
> David Epling
> Central California Rails: http://cencalrails.railfan.net
> Sacramento Central RR: http://saccentral.railfan.net
> International Railfair: http://www.mei-protel.com/irf.htm
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http://www.jps.net/n6lvi/

78. Re: Test

Yahoo group: hamrailfans
Date: 1999-06-07 22:15:51 UTC
From: Chris & Kathleen
Topic: 71 Message: 78

I found out that onelist had block my server about june 1 thay where hitting my server about 300 time a min, thanks for the help I hope to be back on soon

Chris
wb8ypo@...

79. Re: McCloudRR & 4449 on High Line 6/12 weekend

Yahoo group: hamrailfans
Date: 1999-06-08 20:01:12 UTC
From: Chris & Kathleen
Topic: 74 Message: 79

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80. Re: McCloudRR & 4449 on High Line 6/12 weekend

Yahoo group: hamrailfans
Date: 1999-06-08 23:58:20 UTC
From: Harry Marnell
Topic: 74 Message: 80

Where are you coming from? (Literally). I'm trying to find a decent map that shows the 4449's route down the "Inside Gateway" from K-Falls. It won't be taking the (SP)UP line down thru Dunsmuir like Amtrak does.

According to the 4449's website at www.4449.com , here's their "schedule:"

"The times below are >>>Tentative<<<

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E-mail to shastatrains@...

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Harry Marnell, N6URU
~~> http://www.snowcrest.net/marnells

-----Original Message-----
From: Chris & Kathleen <wb8ypo@...>
To: hamrailfans@onelist.com <hamrailfans@onelist.com>
Date: Tuesday, June 08, 1999 13:01
Subject: Re: [hamrailfans] McCloudRR & 4449 on High Line 6/12 weekend

>From: Chris & Kathleen <wb8ypo@...>
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81. Re: McCloudRR & 4449 on High Line 6/12 weekend

Yahoo group: hamrailfans
Date: 1999-06-09 00:55:29 UTC
From: Chris & Kathleen
Topic: 74 Message: 81

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82. Re: McCloudRR & 4449 on High Line 6/12 weekend

Yahoo group: hamrailfans
Date: 1999-06-09 07:08:17 UTC
From: Harry Marnell
Topic: 74 Message: 82

Chris, I don't believe the route is through Eugene at all, but will pass Diamond Lake on the BN(UP) line Sunday morning.

The "4449's" web page has it leaving Portland at 7am on Saturday and going up the Columbia River to Wishram, WA, (?) then down to Bend, arriving there about 6:00 pm.

Scheduled to leave Bend at 6:00 am Sunday, at Klamath Falls from 10:45 - 11:30, then down to Lookout Jct, CA to meet and possibly switch out a car to the McCloud Railway train with steam loco #25. Then 4449 continues down the "Highline" to Westwood from 3:30 - 4:00, arriving at Keddie at about 5:30.

In Oregon, the route is pretty much paralleled by US 97 from about Madras, through Bend, and into K-Falls. This long stretch should provide for the best views & photography Saturday afternoon and Sunday morning. The highway and rails cross back and forth over each other occasionally, so there ought to be enough spots in both the PM and AM to have the sun at your back for shooting pics.

South of K-Falls, however, the BN route strikes out southeast, not along any real roads, into California. Besides the lack of good roads, trains can run at 49 mph most all the way from K-Falls to Bieber.

There are some roads from SR 299 up to Lookout Jct, and in places south from Bieber; but the next real spot to catch 4449 at speed for a couple miles is probably by cutting over to SR 89 and SR 44 south to Poison Lake, near Bogard Ranger Station. The rails run close to the highway for a ways out in the open/level area there, and they can move at a fairly good clip. Thr railroad speed limit there is 40 mph down to Westwood.

After Westwood, train speed limits are generally 25 mph. After Almanor, the rails and Hwy 89 are near each other off and on.

Hope this helps you plan your railfanning. Railfan-Hams tend to use 146.49 simplex.

In the Bend area, 2-meter repeaters are 146.94 - open; and 147.06 + open.

Harry Marnell, N6URU
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From: Chris & Kathleen <wb8ypo@...>
To: hamrailfans@onelist.com <hamrailfans@onelist.com>
Date: Tuesday, June 08, 1999 17:55
Subject: Re: [hamrailfans] McCloudRR & 4449 on High Line 6/12 weekend

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83. Test

Yahoo group: hamrailfans
Date: 1999-06-09 13:42:00 UTC
From: n.mckie@genie.com
Topic: 71 Message: 83

> From: Chris & Kathleen <wb8ypo@...>

> I am not getting mail from this list is it still a working list
> Chris
> wb8ypo@...

Perhaps you should go jump into a hot spring somewhere... and listen to
the trains nearby ...

Neil ... in Bend, Oregon ...

84. Re: Hamfest this

Yahoo group: hamrailfans
Date: 1999-06-09 13:40:00 UTC
From: n.mckie@xxxxx.xxx
Topic: 84 Message: 84

> Just a reminder for all amatuers and those wishing to be...

> The 1999 ARRL NW Division Sea-Pac hamfest will be this weekend at the
> Seaside, OR convention center June 5-6. I along with other railhams
> will bein attendance starting Thurs. evening on the setup commitee.
> Feel free to call us up or introduce yourselves this weekend. I'll be
> on 147.36 simplex.

> Chris Stubblefield KC7HTL

You forgot the www.seapac.org address or something like that.

Neil

85. McCloudRR & 4449

Yahoo group: hamrailfans
Date: 1999-06-09 13:42:00 UTC
From: n.mckie@xxxxx.xxx
Topic: 85 Message: 85

> Ex-SP 4449 coming south next weekend - June 12-14 - from Oregon to
> Sacto via the inside High Line. See www.4449.com

Right through Bend Oregon ... the track is 2 miles from here.

> Also, McCloudRR sending excursion steam train McCloud-Lookout to meet
> & pick up a car from 4449's consist. See www.mctrain.com

> Can we get a list together of railroad & ham repeater freqs for this
> area? Ham simplex gonna be 146.49??

Which area are you in?

Neil

--
Neil McKie, WA6KLA 541-318-7112
n.mckie@... Box 6267, Bend OR 97708
This is probably new info for you. So many trains, so little time

86. Re: Hamfest this

Yahoo group: hamrailfans
Date: 1999-06-09 14:56:49 UTC
From: Harry Marnell
Topic: 84 Message: 86

Geez ... SeaPac, 4449, McCloud RR, Railfair... I shoulda taken the whole month of June OFF! Think I died and went to hamrailfan heaven. Now where are all my cameras???

Harry Marnell, N6URU
~~> http://www.snowcrest.net/marnells

-----Original Message-----
From: n.mckie@... <n.mckie@...>
To: hamrailfans@onelist.com <hamrailfans@onelist.com>
Date: Wednesday, June 09, 1999 07:19
Subject: Re: [hamrailfans] Hamfest this

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87. Re: McCloudRR & 4449 on High Line 6/12 weekend

Yahoo group: hamrailfans
Date: 1999-06-09 15:33:21 UTC
From: Chris Stubblefield
Topic: 74 Message: 87

Guys and gals, a better alternative to chasing the train and contacting each other is 440mhz. If you have a dual band radio or single 440 radio, this will enable you to listen to both the train action on the road channel and communicate on UHF. The primary simplex freq on 440 is 446.0, or you can use the railham freq. of 446.500. You might even find a 440 repeater to use along some of the route.

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88. Re: 4449 and a word of caution! AND freq request repeated

Yahoo group: hamrailfans
Date: 1999-06-09 17:24:02 UTC
From: Harry Marnell
Topic: 88 Message: 88

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-----Original Message-----
From: Jeff Newton <newton@...>
Date: Wednesday, June 09, 1999 09:49
Subject: Re: [nwscan] [hamrailfans] freqs for 4449 on High Line 6/12 weekend

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>Hey Harry any chance this dude's will be passing thru Oakridge and Westfir
>while on the way down?? Mom & Dad's house is right on the Railline up
>there in Westfir, so we see a quiet a bit of Loco's and Amtrak's going by
>all the time!
>
>Jeff

Well, not if the schedule at www.4449.com holds true, check back there as
the weekend approaches. They have it going from Portland up the Columbia,
then straight south on the BN line thru Madras - Bend - Klamath Falls;
staying at Bend Saturday night, though, and it appears Hwy 97 in Oregon
should provide a LOT of good pacing locations, both Sat afternoon and Sunday
morning...along with the couple hundred other railfans that'll probably be
there.

A word of caution: CHP likes to really concentrate on these locomotive
chases, for good reason. Besides normal weekend traffic, a bunch of
(foaming?...OK I at least DRIBBLE) railfans jockeying for photo spots, or
trying to PACE the train in any available lane or shoulder can make those
roads dangerous. I'd imagine it's the same in Oregon...so watch for
CHP/State Police/local Sheriff's & PD/ as well as Railroad Police (they can
write traffic tickets too, at least in California, I believe). Add their
freqs to your scanner banks.

And remember that railroad tracks and yards are PRIVATE PROPERTY. The
railroads have gotten extremely hard-nosed about this, due in large part to
a few fans who have overstepped their bounds and ruined it for everyone.
Don't be surprised to hear "poor me" stories afterward about people having
been hassled, cited or even arrested for trespassing before this is all
done.

Someone (too many posts to look thru) correctly suggested using 440 for ham
communications, leaving VHF free for the rail freqs. Good idea. However, I
think a lot of us live in the boonies where there's not enough UHF ham
activity to even own a 440-capable rig. So I'd still like som 2-meter
repeater suggestions too...though I'll put the 440 ham freqs in one of my
scanners as I "porcupine" my Blazer's roof for the weekend!

What did we ever do before the internet. Makes me tremble at the thought of
the web-inspired additional crowds...but what the heck. I'll be able to put
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faces to these alleged people on the net. Maybe there's really only two or three of us, all using a multitude of psyber-aka's?

Harry Marnell, N6URU
~~> http://www.snowcrest.net/marnells

89. Re: [SCANnorCAL] My 2cents on railroad monitoring

Yahoo group: hamrailfans
Date: 1999-06-10 00:41:58 UTC
From: Harry Marnell
Topic: 89 Message: 89

The URL for the Keddie cam, please?

-----Original Message-----
From: Philip Humes <kf6gnh@...>
To: SCANnorCAL@onelist.com <SCANnorCAL@onelist.com>
Date: Wednesday, June 09, 1999 16:58
Subject: Re: [SCANnorCAL] My 2cents on railroad monitoring

>From: "Philip Humes" <kf6gnh@...>
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>for my 2cents. There is a livecam at the keddie wye
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>philip humes
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>----- Original Message -----
>From: Jake Hickok <kf6kdd@...>

90. Re: McCloudRR &

Yahoo group: hamrailfans
Date: 1999-06-10 13:27:00 UTC
From: n.mckie@genie.com
Topic: 90 Message: 90

> In the Bend area, 2-meter repeaters are 146.94 - open; and 147.06 +
> open.

The 146.94 MHz repeater is at 3500' elev ... almost at local ground level. The 147.06 repeater is on Mt. Bachelor and is apparently having some access problems ... maybe the antenna is still buried in the snow. You might try the 147.36 MHz repeater - covers the greater Bend area out to about 75 miles or so ... and is linked to the 147.24 MHz repeater near Fossil Oregon. There are several rail fans on the 147.36 repeater - me included.

> Harry Marnell, N6URU
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Harry, where are you located?

Neil

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Date: 1999-06-10 13:29:00 UTC
From: n.mckie@xxxxx.xxx
Topic: 71 Message: 91

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Well?

92. Re: 4449 Train route

Yahoo group: hamrailfans
Date: 1999-06-11 07:04:18 UTC
From: Harry Marnell
Topic: 92 Message: 92

OK guys, I received this reply from Larry Miller of the "friends of 4449."

>"Hi
> Yes everything is on schedule for Sat. and yes the BNSF has a bridge at
Wishram > called "Fall Bridge" that crosses the Columbia .
> thanks
> LM

Can someone supply the BN's road & other freqs down thru Bend to K-Falls?

Harry Marnell, N6URU
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Yahoo group: hamrailfans
Date: 1999-06-11 11:24:00 UTC
From: n.mckie@genie.com
Topic: 93 Message: 93

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> >"Hi
> > Yes everything is on schedule for Sat. and yes the BNSF has a bridge
> > at Wishram called "Fall Bridge" that crosses the Columbia .
> > thanks
> > LM

> Can someone supply the BN's road & other freqs down thru Bend to K
> Falls?

According to my notes:

From the Columbia River/Wishram via Bend to Chemult: 161.100
From the Chemult junction with the UP (ex SP) from
Eugene over the Willamette Pass: 161.550

> Harry Marnell, N6URU
> ~~> http://www.snowcrest.net/marnells

Neil

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Neil McKie, WA6KLA 541-318-7112
n.mckie@... Box 6267, Bend OR 97708
So many trains, so little time

94. Fw: [Calrailfans] ATSF 3751

Yahoo group: hamrailfans
Date: 1999-06-11 20:46:59 UTC
From: Harry Marnell
Topic: 94 Message: 94

-----Original Message-----
From: Kenneth Harrison <train98@...>
To: California Railfan List <calrailfans@onelist.com>
Date: Friday, June 11, 1999 13:36
Subject: [Calrailfans] ATSF 3751

>From: Kenneth Harrison <train98@...>
>
Symbol O-LACSAE 1-13
>
>6/13-
>0900 ATK roundhouse, Redondo Jct.
>1200 San Berdoo, track 4. Water at 5th street.
> (May make 10 minute stop at station prior)
>1230 Dep San Berdoo
>1500 Arr Victorville, water at MP 360.5, ATK depot
>1530 Dep Victorville
>1700 Arr Barstow. Overnight. Service/water
>
>6/14-
>0800 Dep Barstow
>0900 Boron Siding. Water stop short of grade crossing.
>0930 Dep Boron
>1015 By Mojave
>1100 Tehachapi. Water stop north main MP 360.5
>1130 Dep Tehachapi
>1500 Arr Bksfld. Overnight. Tie up Middle Spur west
> of depot, adjacent to loading dock. Svce/water/fuel.
>
>6/15-
>0800 Dep Bksfld
>1130 Arr Fresno. Water stop, north main at ATK depot
>1200 Dep Fresno
>1500 Arr. Riverbank. Water stop just short of ATK depot
>1530 Dep Riverbank
>1630 By Stockton and onto UP
>1900 Arr Sacramento
>
>BNSF furnish 6-axle locomotive for entire trip, "preferably in
>'Heritage' colors." (BARF BARF EEEK AACK...ed.)
>
>No preference over passenger or freight
>
>BNSF furnish 10 mtys for braking. Maximum speed 55 MPH.
>

>BNSF pilots entire trip.
>
>Ex-CN 93, PV at Barstow, moved in freight svc to LA soon enough for
>placement in consist of 3751.
>
>Water stops coordinated with fire departments by SBRHS.
>
>Copied, proofread (and some words abbreviated) from operating bulletin.
>I have NO FURTHER information.
>
>Ken Harrison
>
>---
>Congratulations to "INDIE-GRRL," our latest ONElist of the Week.
>http://www.onelist.com
>Visit our homepage and share with us how ONElist is changing YOUR life!
>

95. Fw: [NWPRR.COM Discussion Board] The 4449 rides again

Yahoo group: hamrailfans
Date: 1999-06-11 22:16:37 UTC
From: Harry Marnell
Topic: 95 Message: 95

Just hijacked this off the NWPrr email list...hope nobody gets TOO MANY
cc's!

-----Original Message-----
From: bbs@... <bbs@...>
To: bbs@... <bbs@...>
Date: Friday, June 11, 1999 14:58
Subject: [NWPRR.COM Discussion Board] The 4449 rides again

>The following new message has been posted on NWPRR.COM Discussion Board at
><http://www.nwprr.com/cgi-bin/index.pl>.
>
>**********
>
> MESSAGE: (#3027) The 4449 rides again
> <http://www.nwprr.com/cgi-bin/index.pl?review=3027>
> AUTHOR: Kyle Ruthnick <jannick@...>
> DATE: Friday, 11 June 1999, at 2:57 p.m.
>
>To Aaron and all of those concerned; We are just putting the finishing
touches
>on the 4449 today to prepare it for it's journey. Personally, I cleaned the
>wheels and the rods, so be sure to notice them!
>I is sheduled to pull up to the flasher(first northbound signal) on the
>Brooklyn Lead just outside the yard at 0700 tomorrow (06/12) morning. As
far
>as I can tell it will be pulling from Portland an auxiliary tender, the
tool
>car, a pullman, a round end obseration car and one baggage car all in
>"Daylight" colors. They are looking for another baggage car in order to
>surround the Shay on the flatcar they will be picking up on the trunk line.
>Can't have that shiftable load near the passengers. There will also be a
coach
>car painted in Empire Builder colors in the consist.
>Aaron- I was also there for the intial steam-up for last weekends midnight
>voyage. Must be nice to be on top!
>
>Have fun at railfair to all of you lucky enough to go.
>
>-kyle
>
>**********
>
>This is an automatically-generated notice. If you'd like to be removed
from

>the mailing list, please visit NWPRR.COM Discussion Board at
><http://www.nwprr.com/cgi-bin/index.pl>, or send your request to
>bbs@.... If you wish to respond to this message, please post your
>response directly to the board. Thank you!
>

96. Commuting with radio style

Yahoo group: hamrailfans
Date: 1999-06-13 00:50:14 UTC
From: Robert Schoenfeld
Topic: 96 Message: 96

As opposed to other areas in the country in the NYC area it is possible to be in the first car looking out as you go with your scanner in one ear and HT on. I have made numerous contacts while commuting into NYC on the LIRR and wvwn used the HT when my NJ Transit train was held up to notify my wife that I wwould be late

HOW-TOs

LIRR MetroNorth:
If first car is open to passengers just stand by the front door It has a large window

NJ Transit:
In pushpull mode stay by the front when in push mode. Electric units have a window to look in the engineers compartment

NYCTA:

Usually can look out the frone door

Sometimes this is better than watching trains on the side

73 de Bob

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+ +
+ e-mail:roberts@... _____ +
+ HomePage:http://www.liii.com/~roberts \ / +
+ \ / +
+ | +
+ WA2AQQ | +
+ | +
+ Home repeater LIMARC 146.85 +
+ +
+ These opinion are MINE and tough if you don't like them +
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Annoy a fascist confront him with the facts
The road of life is a railroad
>From synergy@... Wed Sep 25 21:54:58 1996
Stupidity is bliss.

97. 4449 at Lookout Jct & Keddie Wye

Yahoo group: hamrailfans
Date: 1999-06-15 03:15:04 UTC
From: Harry Marnell
Topic: 97 Message: 97

I've posted a few photos of the McCloud #25 and the SP 4449 from Sunday & Monday's trip down the High Line, at http://www.snowcrest.net/marnells/4449.htm

Harry "Noel Defects" Marnell

98. Fw: RR frequencies????

Yahoo group: hamrailfans
Date: 1999-06-15 18:04:06 UTC
From: Harry Marnell
Topic: 98 Message: 98

I've wondered (but never asked) the same thing. Anybody??

harry

-----Original Message-----
From: Dr. Pepper <DrPepper@...>
To: SCAN-L@... <SCAN-L@...>
Date: Tuesday, June 15, 1999 10:51
Subject: RR frequencies????

>--
>In the Altamont timetable, there is a section in back of
>the book that gives railroad frequencies. They use the
>letters "FAP" What does this stand for??
>
>And is this list complete? they list only 90 frequencies
>starting at 07 and going to 97.
>
>Thanx :-}

99. Bay Area Repeaters?

Yahoo group: hamrailfans
Date: 1999-06-16 01:08:39 UTC
From: Guy Smiley
Topic: 99 Message: 99

Hey gang,

Are there any local repeaters (SF Bay Area) that cater to rails?

73

Paul WA6OKQ

100. Re: Fw: RR frequencies????

Yahoo group: hamrailfans
Date: 1999-06-16 02:21:01 UTC
From: Guy Smiley
Topic: 98 Message: 100

Hi Harry and Gang,

Harry Marnell wrote:
>
> From: "Harry Marnell" <marnells@...>
>
> I've wondered (but never asked) the same thing. Anybody??

> >In the Altamont timetable, there is a section in back of
> >the book that gives railroad frequencies. They use the
> >letters "FAP" What does this stand for??

FAP is Frequency Assignment Plan. The AAR is a frequency co-ordinator, and assigns frequencies to railroads within this band plan. The FAP is simply the channel number. I know, they could have just listed it as channel #, but for some peculiar reason, this is how they list it.
> >
> >And is this list complete? they list only 90 frequencies
> >starting at 07 and going to 97.

For all practical purposes, it is. Channels 2-6 are for Canadian use only.

For more on the subject, I put some stuff I once wrote on a web page . . .

http://home1.gte.net/stumpie

73

Paul WA6OKQ

101. Re: Bay Area Repeaters?

Yahoo group: hamrailfans
Date: 1999-06-16 02:58:04 UTC
From: Chris Stubblefield
Topic: 99 Message: 101

Try the Altamontpress webpage under amateur radio. I believe Mt Diablo
145.33 ?hz with a 440 link too.
Chris KC7HTL

On Tue, 15 Jun 1999 18:08:39 -0700 Guy Smiley <stumpie@...> writes:
>From: Guy Smiley <stumpie@...>
>
>Hey gang,
>
>Are there any local repeaters (SF Bay Area) that cater to rails?
>
>73
>
>Paul WA6OKQ
>
>----------
>Who is the most visited e-mail list community Web Service?
>http://www.onelist.com
>ONElist.com - where more than 20 million e-mails are exchanged each
>day!

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Get the Internet just the way you want it.
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Try Juno Web: http://dl.www.juno.com/dynoget/tagj.

102. Re: Bay Area Repeaters?

Yahoo group: hamrailfans
Date: 1999-06-16 13:54:31 UTC
From: Guy Smiley
Topic: 99 Message: 102

Hi Chris,

I know the .33 machine very well. It belongs to K6POU (or used to). It was a good machine with wide coverage, but the wind blew the antennas down some years ago, and it never really recovered. I haven't heard any railfan activity there in 5 years. It's in my memory banks, so I will try to tone it up.

Altamont Press is outdated on this one, I'm afraid. I was just wondering if anything else was out there that wasn't general knowledge.

Thanks

Paul

Chris Stubblefield wrote:
>
> From: Chris Stubblefield <mainstreeter@...>
>
> Try the Altamontpress webpage under amateur radio. I believe Mt Diablo
> 145.33 ?hz with a 440 link too.
> Chris KC7HTL
>
> On Tue, 15 Jun 1999 18:08:39 -0700 Guy Smiley <stumpie@...> writes:
> >From: Guy Smiley <stumpie@...>
> >
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> >
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> >
> >73
> >
> >Paul WA6OKQ
> >
> >----------
> >Who is the most visited e-mail list community Web Service?
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> Last chance to earn $5000 for your charity of choice!
> http://www.onelist.com
> Deadline for "GROW TO GIVE" is June 19. See homepage for details.

103. Re: Bay Area Rep

Yahoo group: hamrailfans
Date: 1999-06-16 14:45:00 UTC
From: n.mckie@xxxxx.xxx
Topic: 103 Message: 103

> Hi Chris,

> I know the .33 machine very well. It belongs to K6POU (or used to).

K6POU ... haven't seen Wendell in about 25 years or so. How is he doing?

> It was a good machine with wide coverage, but the wind blew the
> antennas down some years ago, and it never really recovered. I haven't
> heard any railfan activity there in 5 years. It's in my memory banks,
> so I will try to tone it up.

> Altamont Press is outdated on this one, I'm afraid. I was just
> wondering if anything else was out there that wasn't general knowledge.
> Thanks
> Paul

Thank you,

Neil

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Neil McKie, WA6KLA 541-318-7112
n.mckie@... Box 6267, Bend OR 97708
A day without chasing the UP to Nampa is a day lost

104. Re: Bay Area Repeaters?

Yahoo group: hamrailfans
Date: 1999-06-16 17:35:15 UTC
From: Jim Ley
Topic: 99 Message: 104

The "Rail Friendly" Mt. Diablo machines are at 145.33 - and 443.800 +
both PL 100.0

73 de N6LVI

Chris Stubblefield wrote:

> From: Chris Stubblefield <mainstreeter@...>
>
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> 145.33 ?hz with a 440 link too.
> Chris KC7HTL
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> On Tue, 15 Jun 1999 18:08:39 -0700 Guy Smiley <stumpie@...> writes:
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http://www.jps.net/n6lvi/

105. More 4449 & McCloud pics and sounds

Yahoo group: hamrailfans
Date: 1999-06-16 19:20:20 UTC
From: Harry Marnell
Topic: 105 Message: 105

I've added a couple more pictures & wav files to my page of images of the SP4449 trip down the High Line, at http://www.snowcrest.net/marnells/4449.htm

Harry

106. Re: Bay Area Rep

Yahoo group: hamrailfans
Date: 1999-06-17 11:51:00 UTC
From: n.mckie@xxxxx.xxx
Topic: 103 Message: 106

> From: Jim Ley <hogger@...>

> The "Rail Friendly" Mt. Diablo machines are at 145.33 - and 443.800 +
> both PL 100.0

> 73 de N6LVI

Thank you, I'll try to remember that when I next go thru the area. Will there be a rail-fan suite - or a booth at the 1999 Pacificon - the ARRL Pacific Division Convention in Concord In October?

Thank you,

Neil

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Neil McKie, WA6KLA 541-318-7112
n.mckie@... Box 6267, Bend OR 97708
So many trains, so little time

107. Rafael Resendes-Ramirez added to FBI Ten Most Wanted list

Yahoo group: hamrailfans
Date: 1999-06-22 01:47:24 UTC
From: smokeybehr@xxxxxxxx.xxxxxxxxxxxxxxxx)
Topic: 107 Message: 107

Railfans:
There is a murderer loose, and he rides the rails. He has been indicted in the murders of several people, and is wanted in connection with many others. He has been arrested by various Railway Police departments for trespassing and other violations. Below is a list of URLs in reference to this case, as well as the official press release from the FBI. Please view all of the below links to be fully informed on this case.

http://www.fbi.gov/pressrm/pressrel/ramirez2.htm
http://www.fbi.gov/mostwant/topten/ramirez.htm
http://www.fbi.gov/mostwant/topten/ramirspan.htm (informacion en espanol)
http://www.amw.com/site/resendez-ramirez/index.html
http://www.amw.com/site/thisweek/19990619/rramirez.html
http://www.txdps.state.tx.us/director_staff/public_information/pr060999.htm

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U.S. Department of Justice

Federal Bureau of Investigation

For Immediate Release

Washington, D.C.
June 21, 1999

FBI National Press Office

FBI Director Louis J. Freeh today announced the placement of Rafael Resendez- Ramirez, a Mexican national, on its list of "Ten Most Wanted Fugitives."
The filing of a Federal Criminal Complaint was authorized by U.S. Attorney for the Southern District of Illinois, W. Charles Grace, charging Rafael
Resendez-Ramirez with violation of Title 18, United States Code, Section 1073, Unlawful Flight to Avoid Prosecution (UFAP). The UFAP process stems from
local charges filed by the Jackson County District Attorney's Office for the murders of a father and daughter in Jackson County, Illinois.
Jackson County Sheriff
William J. Kilquist announced today that the two victims, George Morber, Sr., and Carolyn Frederick were found by his office on June 15, 1999. Sheriff Kilquist
stated that latent fingerprints found at the crime scene were matched with those of Rafael Resendez- Ramirez.

Director Freeh stated that " this case underscores the value of the FBI's Ten Most Wanted program by not only alerting the public to the very real dangers posed by
violent criminals to all innocent Americans, but also by serving as a key that unlocks the door to a suspect's whereabouts. We hope that the publicity afforded to Mr.
Ramirez today by local authorities in Texas and Illinois, as well as by this Top Ten announcement, will bring his swift apprehension."

On December 17, 1998, Rafael Resendez-Ramirez allegedly burglarized the residence of Dr. Claudia Benton in West University Place, Texas, during which jewelry,
cash, and stereo equipment were stolen. Dr. Benton's vehicle was also taken; however, it was recovered the next day in a San Antonio, Texas, parking lot near
railroad tracks. Dr. Benton's body was found by authorities in her home soon after the burglary.

Resendez-Ramirez is also wanted for questioning in a series of homicide, rape, and burglary cases in West University Place, Texas; Weimar, Texas; Houston, Texas;
Fayette County, Texas; and Lexington, Kentucky. He usually escapes in vehicles, stolen from the crime scenes, which he later abandons.
The following is a list of victims of crimes in which Rafael Resendez-Ramirez is a suspect:

? Christopher Maier of Lexington, Kentucky, homicide victim found August 29, 1997.

? Claudia Gabriella Benton of West University, Texas, homicide victim found on December 17, 1998.

? Norman Jerome Sirnic and Karen Foltermann Sirnic of Weimar, Texas, homicide victims found April 30, 1999.

? Josephine Konvicka of Fayette County, Texas, homicide victim found June 4, 1999.

? Noemi Dominguez of Houston, Texas, homicide victim found June 5, 1999.

Authorities have determined that Resendez-Ramirez also uses freight railroad transportation, and the offenses for which there is evidence connecting him, have all
occurred in close proximity to railroad tracks. He has no known permanent address and may be traveling throughout the United States, Mexico, and Canada.
Family and associates are located in California, Texas, New Mexico, and Mexico. Places where he has lived include the following: Puebla, Mexico; Sterling Heights
and Ann Arbor, Michigan; St. Louis, Missouri; Las Cruces and Albuquerque, New Mexico; Tulsa, Oklahoma; New Orleans, Louisiana; San Antonio, Texas; and

Miami, Florida.

Resendez-Ramirez has been known to work as a day laborer and migrant worker. He has also received training as an auto mechanic in a Florida prison.
Resendez-Ramirez is believed to be a heavy user of alcohol and drugs. He is allergic to aspirin.

He should be considered armed and extremely dangerous due to prior firearm convictions and the use of sharp objects and blunt instruments during the commission
of crimes.

Born in Puebla, Mexico, Resendez-Ramirez is a Hispanic white male, approximately 39 years old, 5' 7" tall, and weighing 150 pounds. His date of birth is
August 1, 1960. He has black hair and brown eyes and he may wear prescription glasses. Resendez-Ramirez has scars on his right ring finger, his left wrist and his
forehead. He has a snake tattoo on his left arm and may possibly have a flower tattoo on his left wrist. Resendez- Ramirez uses numerous dates of birth and social
security account numbers.

Resendez-Ramirez has used the following aliases or nicknames: Lionzo Angel Reyes-Resendiz; Jose Angel; Jose Konig Angel; Jose R. Angel; Daniel Arnold; Daniel
Edward Arnold; Carlos Cluthier Eduardo III; Daniel Eduardo III; Jose Jaramillo; Pedro Angel Jaramillo; Jose Angel Mangele; Jose Konig Mangele; Angel Martinez;
Angel Joseph Martinez; Antonio Martinez; Antonio E. Martinez; Pedro Argel Resemez Ramirez; Rafael Resendez Ramirez; Jose Angel Resendez; Jose Angel Reyes
Resendez; Joseph R. Reyes Resendez; Angel Reyes; Angel Joseph Reyes; Angel Martinez Reyes; Antonio Reyes; Daniel Eduardo Resendez Reyes; Jose Angel
Reyes; Antonio Rodriguez; Carlos Cluthier Rodriguez; and Carlos Rodriguez.

The FBI is offering a reward of up to $50,000 for any information directly leading to the arrest of Rafael Resendez-Ramirez. Individuals with information concerning
Rafael Resendez-Ramirez's whereabouts should take no action themselves, but instead, immediately contact the nearest FBI office or local law enforcement agency.
For any possible sighting outside the United States, contact the nearest U.S. Embassy or Consulate.

Resendez-Ramirez is the 457th person to be placed on the FBI's "Ten Most Wanted Fugitives" list which began in 1950. Since then, 428 of the fugitives have been
apprehended or located, 134 of them as a result of assistance from

citizens. He replaces Harry Joseph Bowman who was apprehended on June 7, 1999.
Further information about Rafael Resendez-Ramirez is available on the FBI's Internet Home Page. The FBI's Internet Home Page address is as follows:
http://www.fbi.gov

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Smokey Behr - mhm21x12
ICQ:6450219 AIM: SmokyBehr1
.sig file: http://24.30.108.190/smokeysig.htm
"Have you read and do you understand the course of fire?"
"Guns are no more responsible for killing people than the spoon is for making Rosie (O'Donnell) fat."

108. Rafael Resendes-

Yahoo group: hamrailfans
Date: 1999-06-22 13:49:00 UTC
From: n.mckie@xxxxx.xxx
Topic: 108 Message: 108

Remember all of the excitement and the postings here for the 4449 going to Sacramento? Does anybody know when the 4449 in going to make the return trip?

Thank you,

Neil

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Neil McKie, WA6KLA 541-318-7112
n.mckie@... Box 6267, Bend OR 97708

109. Railfair '99, I took pics too

Yahoo group: hamrailfans
Date: 1999-06-28 20:16:27 UTC
From: Harry Marnell
Topic: 109 Message: 109

If you want to see a few, visit http://www.snowcrest.net/marnells/train.htm

110. Trip to Chicago.

Yahoo group: hamrailfans
Date: 1999-06-29 14:47:38 UTC
From: Steve Kann
Topic: 110 Message: 110

I'm going to be aboard Amtrak #49 this friday, and I'm looking to get all the RR freqs I'll be passing through into my radio before I leave.

This route runs from NYC north to albany, then through syracuse to Buffalo, and then follows the lakes west to chicago.

I'm not even sure exactly whose roads this follows, Although I think it's CSX now.

Where's a good starting point for getting the info I'm looking for?

-SteveK

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Steve Kann - Horizon Live Distance Learning - 841 Broadway, Suite 502
P:stevek@... - B:stevek@... - R:KC2FBU (212) 533-1775
"The box said 'Requires Windows 95, NT, or better,' so I installed Linux."

111. Re: Amtrak Radio Freqs - Trip to Chicago.

Yahoo group: hamrailfans
Date: 1999-06-29 16:06:36 UTC
From: Harry Marnell
Topic: 111 Message: 111

Train #49 - the Lake Shore? Probably the best source for Amtrak frequencies nationwide is at ("bookmark" this one, folks):

http://www.trainweb.com/traking/amtrak/amtfreqe.html

According to that, your "road" freqs will be:
NY - Spuyten Duyvil 160.92
SpDuy - Poughkeepsie 160.95
Pough-Albany 161.07
Alb-Buffalo 160.80
Buffalo-Erie 160.86
Erie-Cleveland 160.80
Cleveland-Toledo 160.98
Toledo area (?) 161.07
Toledo-Chicago/21st St 160.80
Chicago Union Station 160.305

Or you could also use your scanner's "search" function & look between 160.23 & 161.55 in case there's been any changes. That list look pretty much all-inclusive though!

Harry Marnell, N6URU
~~> http://www.snowcrest.net/marnells

-----Original Message-----
From: Steve Kann <stevek@...>
To: hamrailfans@onelist.com <hamrailfans@onelist.com>
Date: Tuesday, June 29, 1999 07:59
Subject: [hamrailfans] Trip to Chicago.

>From: Steve Kann <stevek@...>
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>I'm going to be aboard Amtrak #49 this friday, and I'm looking to
>get all the RR freqs I'll be passing through into my radio before I
>leave.
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>This route runs from NYC north to albany, then through syracuse to
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> "The box said 'Requires Windows 95, NT, or better,' so I installed
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112. Re: Amtrak Radio Freqs - Trip to Chicago.

Yahoo group: hamrailfans
Date: 1999-06-30 02:06:11 UTC
From: cgcom@xxxxxxxxxxx.xxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxx)
Topic: 111 Message: 112

Good list Harry, just wanted to add that if you expand the search you suggested from 160.215 to 161.565 you won't miss AAR channels 7 160.215 and 97 161.565, the first and last channel in the US American Association Of Railroads band plan.

By the way, for those who are curious about what happened to AAR channels 1 through 6, those are not used by RR's in the US and are assigned to other services but are used in Canada.

Regards,

-Charlie-
cgcom@...
http://listen.to/railscan

From: "Harry Marnell" <marnells@...>
To: <hamrailfans@onelist.com>
Date sent: Tue, 29 Jun 1999 09:06:36 -0700
Send reply to: hamrailfans@onelist.com
Subject: Re: [hamrailfans] Amtrak Radio Freqs - Trip to Chicago.

> Or you could also use your scanner's "search" function & look between
> 160.23
> & 161.55 in case there's been any changes. That list look pretty much
> all-inclusive though!
>

113. Field Day

Yahoo group: hamrailfans
Date: 1999-07-01 02:16:51 UTC
From: Robert Schoenfeld
Topic: 113 Message: 113

Did any club have a fiel day site next to a railline so we could play
radio and watch tarins at the same time?

BTW last year I heard that the Long Island RR ARC was going to set up its
FD site in a railcar and maybe have it move while operating but nothing
happened unfortunately

Also my club Nassau Amateur Radio Club set up a few hundred yards from the
former Central Branch of the LIRR (ex Central RR of LI)

73 de Bob

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Annoy a fascist confront him with the facts
The road of life is a railroad
>From synergy@... Wed Sep 25 21:54:58 1996
Stupidity is bliss.

114. "Trains Unlimited" (tonight) 7/1 & 7/8

Yahoo group: hamrailfans
Date: 1999-07-01 08:14:12 UTC
From: Harry Marnell
Topic: 114 Message: 114

Tonight, July 1, on the "History Channel:"

11:00pm Eastern / 8:00pm Pacific: Trains Unlimited. Steam Trains. Until the diesel age, trains were powered by steam, and we'll trace the steam train's 160-year
history. We travel to Steamtown National Park to see these 19th-century technological wonders in action; and, visit Union Pacific's Steam Operations Division to profile #3985, the largest operating steam locomotive in the world.

Then, NEXT Thursday, 7/8:

11:00/8:00 Trains Unlimited. Railway Marvels. Though steam-powered trains were a significant invention, they couldn't move without railroads. Historians, civil engineers, and train buffs accompany us as we track the ways of the rail--from America's transcontinental railroads to the Chunnel buried 131 feet beneath the English Channel.

Harry Marnell, N6URU
~~> http://www.snowcrest.net/marnells/train.htm

115. "The Daylight Story" page

Yahoo group: hamrailfans
Date: 1999-07-01 10:15:04 UTC
From: Harry Marnell
Topic: 115 Message: 115

I may be a link or two behind the rest of you, but I just stumbled upon this page all about the SP Daylight trains, with links, pics, etc. Nice.

http://www.innercite.com/~daylight/history.html

Harry Marnell, N6URU
~~> http://www.snowcrest.net/marnells/index2.html

116. Re: Field Day

Yahoo group: hamrailfans
Date: 1999-07-01 13:36:56 UTC
From: Steve Kann
Topic: 113 Message: 116

On Wed, Jun 30, 1999 at 10:16:51PM -0400, Robert Schoenfeld wrote:
> From: Robert Schoenfeld <roberts@...>
>
> Did any club have a fiel day site next to a railline so we could play
> radio and watch tarins at the same time?
>
> BTW last year I heard that the Long Island RR ARC was going to set up its
> FD site in a railcar and maybe have it move while operating but nothing
> happened unfortunately
>
> Also my club Nassau Amateur Radio Club set up a few hundred yards from the
> former Central Branch of the LIRR (ex Central RR of LI)

I was up at the BERA (Shore Line Trolley Museum) running our New York equipment all weekend, although I tuned in to a few ham bands during lunch.. Does that count?

I should have put the mag-mount antenna on top of the subway cars -- I would imagine that a 8.5 X 53 IRT car roof would make a decent ground plane :) If not, there's always the IND car, at 10' x 60', or BMT 2775 at 10' x 67'.

-SteveK

--
Steve Kann - Horizon Live Distance Learning - 841 Broadway, Suite 502
P:stevek@... - B:stevek@... - R:KC2FBU (212) 533-1775
"The box said 'Requires Windows 95, NT, or better,' so I installed Linux."

117. Fw: Cajon Pass on Fire

Yahoo group: hamrailfans
Date: 1999-07-06 23:48:49 UTC
From: Harry Marnell
Topic: 117 Message: 117

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-----Original Message-----
From: BAEJS3201@... <BAEJS3201@...>
To: foamers@... <foamers@...>
Date: Tuesday, July 06, 1999 16:42
Subject: Cajon Pass on Fire

At 2:50 a fire broke out on the Cajon Pass. From the pictures shown on TV it
also looks like there is a UP train stuck in the middle of the fire.

David
on the Cajon Pass
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118. Re: Field Day

Yahoo group: hamrailfans
Date: 1999-07-07 11:20:13 UTC
From: Bob Burns N9KRS
Topic: 113 Message: 118

At 1999-06-30 09:16 PM, Robert Schoenfeld wrote:

>Did any club have a fiel day site next to a railline so we could play
>radio and watch tarins at the same time?

Yes. Hendricks County (Indiana) ARS set up their Field Day operation at the Washington Twp. Community Park in Avon, Indiana. The park is just north of the CSX (former CR) St. Louis Line about a mile west of Avon Yard. Unfortunately, the tree line between the park and the tracks is pretty thick, so there's not much trainwatching. You sure can hear them, though!

Early Sunday morning, I was trying to answer a CQ on 20m SSB. Just as I keyed up to give our callsign, a passing train blew it's whistle for a nearby crossing. The other station answered, so I keyed up again to give our report. The train whistle blew again. The other station acknowledged my report and mentioned that the train whistle in the background made it pretty easy to pick my signal out of the noise!

Bob...

119. Re: Field Day

Yahoo group: hamrailfans
Date: 1999-07-09 02:23:05 UTC
From: Robert Schoenfeld
Topic: 113 Message: 119

On Wed, 7 Jul 1999, Bob Burns N9KRS wrote:

|>Date: Wed, 07 Jul 1999 06:20:13 -0500
|>From: Bob Burns N9KRS <n9krs@...>
|>Reply-To: hamrailfans@onelist.com
|>To: hamrailfans@onelist.com
|>Subject: Re: [hamrailfans] Field Day
|>
|>From: Bob Burns N9KRS <n9krs@...>
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|>our report. The train whistle blew again. The other station acknowledged my
|>report and mentioned that the train whistle in the background made it
|>pretty easy to pick my signal out of the noise!
|>
|>Bob...
Hope it was K2VN That was my clubss station and we has a reak field day on
20 meters over 600 contacts on pnone alone

73 de Bob


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120. Railway Killer Surrenders

Yahoo group: hamrailfans
Date: 1999-07-13 17:50:51 UTC
From: Stkntower@xxx.xxx
Topic: 120 Message: 120

This just came off the AOL news update.

The suspected railway killer,as the media puts it, surrendered to authorities earlier today. No details as to where and why he gave up. Lets all be grateful he is now in
custody.

John Manter
wa1rka@...

121. California Radio & Scanning Files

Yahoo group: hamrailfans
Date: 1999-07-22 09:17:53 UTC
From: Harry Marnell
Topic: 121 Message: 121

The SCANnorCAL mail list has added "shared files" to its email "reflector" service. Currently there are files available on CHP freqs & stations, CDF frequency plans, a bunch of Scanner, Emergency Service and Amateur Radio Links (mostly California related), etc...and room for a lot more files to be uploaded.

To check out the shared files, go to http://www.onelist.com/shareddir/SCANnorCAL/ You may have to sign on to onelist.com to access the info, but it's available to everyone, not just "subscribers." We welcome additional files, frequency & code lists to the "shared files" area...but please no graphics or sounds...text or simple HTML stuff only...we get 5 MB of space, which can go a long way if it's used for info rather than "glitz."

If you're interested in Central & Northern California emergency services & other radio topics, you can join at http://www.onelist.com/subscribe.cgi/SCANnorCAL

It's a fairly low-volume list, usually a few posts a day...and you can opt for the once-a-day "digest" version if you like.

Harry
~~> more links at www.snowcrest.net/marnells/index2.html

122. Re: RR Lodging - THANKS!

Yahoo group: hamrailfans
Date: 1999-07-26 02:13:56 UTC
From: Harry Marnell
Topic: 122 Message: 122

Thanks for the list, Roger...is there a URL for it? My inbox showed an attachment, but the info was in the text area. hmmm

Railroad Park Resort in Dunsmuir CA has a spiffy new homepage at http://www.rrpark.com/

I've stayed there several times...the cabeese are great, and the restaurant is positively superb! Lots of "theme" places go big on the theme but serve just so-so food...the dinners there are extraordinary by any standard. I've even driven there (3 hours) just for dinner. Can't say enough about it.

Harry
www.snowcrest.net/marnells/train.htm

PS - Ever find the ATSF caboose that dispppeared from Laytonville CA last year? Also, I've seen an SP caboose along the west side of Hwy 99 south of Chico CA. It appears to be in a construction equipment yard or some such. Perhaps someone in the Chico (Butte County) area can ID it?

123. Fw: RR Lodging, etc.

Yahoo group: hamrailfans
Date: 1999-07-26 02:44:56 UTC
From: Harry Marnell
Topic: 123 Message: 123

>Harry,
>
>> Thanks for the list, is there a URL for it? My inbox showed an
>> attachment, but the info was in the text area.
>
>The RR Ladging List appears on several pages but itis hard to keep them
>up to date so I always have the "best" copy. The text was added to the
>e-mail as an attachment but comes across as text on most e-mail systems.
>
>> Railroad Park Resort in Dunsmuir CA has a spiffy new homepage at
>> http://www.rrpark.com/
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>Thanks for the URL.
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>> I've stayed there several times, the cabeese are great & the restaurant
>> is positively superb! Lots of "theme" places go big on the theme but
serve
>> just so-so food...the dinners there are extraordinary by any standard.
I've
>> even driven there just for dinner. Can't say enough about it.
>
>I might visit the place if I'm ever under an hour from it but I'm told
>they are anti-railfan. And, of course, all those fake paint jobs.
>
>> Ever find the ATSF caboose that dispppeared from Laytonville CA last
>> year? Also, I've seen an SP caboose along the west side of Hwy 99 south
of
>> Chico CA. It appears to be in a construction equipment yard or some
such.
>> Perhaps someone in the Chico (Butte County) area can ID it?
>
>The Laytonville car is now reported to be "west of town", possibly on
>the property of the former Hamburger Drive-In owner.
>
>The Chico car location sounds familiar. Could it have been reported to
>me as some other town than Chico?
>
>Cheers, Roger
>--
>S. Roger Kirkpatrick, 113 West 17th Street, Leadville, CO 80461
>

124. Using either FT8100R or FT90R for scanning

Yahoo group: hamrailfans
Date: 1999-07-29 18:33:03 UTC
From: shpbur@interlynx.net
Topic: 124 Message: 124

I am currently in the market for a mobile dual
band radio (2m/440). Am looking at either the
Yaesu FT8100R or the Yaesu FT90R. Is there
body on list who may be able to comment upon
the receive capabilities of these radios for use
in the railway frequency band range?.
Am located in Southern Ontario, Canada about 60
kilometres west of Toronto.
Presently utilizing a Yaesu FT-530 as well as J-Comm
VHF commercial receiver (which monitors two metre repeaters
and simplex, railway and marine frequncies.)
Broadcast ability is encoded for two metre and railway
railway frequencies.
I do a monthly column for Railpace Newsmagazine published
in New Jersey devoted to railway happenings in the North
east as well as an expanded monthly column of railway
news in Canada on the internet entitled Canada Calling.
Bryce Lee,
VA3TRN

125. Re: Using either FT8100R or FT90R for scanning

Yahoo group: hamrailfans
Date: 1999-07-29 21:51:38 UTC
From: Stkntower@xxx.xxx
Topic: 124 Message: 125

I am not familiar with the Yaesur units you mention,however if they have the broad band receiver that most current amateur equipment has then they should work just fine. I am using one of the Radio Shack HTX 242 units for mobile and I have the rail
channels programmed in and it hears just about anything that comes my way. The antenna I have on the car is a 2meter/440 on glass mount and it seems to work very well from the low aircraft band to the high end of the 460 police band. One thing about any of the amateur units,they will be a lot more senistive and less prone to intermod then a run of the mill scanner.

John
wa1rka
wa1rka@...
stkntower@...
http://stkntower.railfan.net

126. ON NOW! "The Caboose" 8pm Pacific/11pm Eastern

Yahoo group: hamrailfans
Date: 1999-07-30 03:00:19 UTC
From: Harry Marnell
Topic: 126 Message: 126

Just starting now on the "History Channel:" Trains Unlimited
"The Caboose."
For over 150 years, a caboose followed at the end of almost every freight train. Along the way, the red cupola-topped caboose became office, warehouse, and home for the conductor and brakemen. Most held the stove and cookware for a crew far from home. Life aboard a "crummy" was filled with good times, good food, and hazardous duty! [TV G]

127. Re: Using either FT8100R or FT90R for scanning

Yahoo group: hamrailfans
Date: 1999-07-30 05:51:13 UTC
From: Chris Stubblefield
Topic: 124 Message: 127

I have the earier Yaesu FT-8000 and it works great. I believe the 8100 is the same except for the detachable face cover. I haven't tried to turn the limits of this but the sensitivity at specs. is around 0.18uv , so its certainly better than most. I also have the 530 which is most excellent as well. Get a good antenna what ever you do.

73's de KC7HTL

On 29 Jul 1999 18:33:03 -0000 shpbur@... writes:
> From: shpbur@...
>
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> band radio (2m/440). Am looking at either the
> Yaesu FT8100R or the Yaesu FT90R. Is there
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128. YAESU ft8100/FT90r

Yahoo group: hamrailfans
Date: 1999-07-31 01:28:17 UTC
From: shpbur@xxxxxxxxx.xxx
Topic: 128 Message: 128

Thanks to those who have replied.
Now since this list is hams who are railfans
or perhaps caters to those who wish to be...
a supplementary question Mr. Speaker.<g>

If one is in the field(s) and not mobile what are you
utilizing firstly in handhelds tuned to railway
frequencies and secondly, if a scanner is used
which brand\model is used.

Have you found any one particular brand\model
is better at inter-mod rejection than another?

129. Canadian Railway Frequncies

Yahoo group: hamrailfans
Date: 1999-07-31 01:41:01 UTC
From: shpbur@xxxxxxxxx.xxx
Topic: 129 Message: 129

Back on june 16, 1999 somebody on list mentioned the Canadian
railway frequencies not utilized in the US of A.
02 159.810; 03 159.930; 04 160.050; 05 160.185;
06 160.220... 99 161.610.

Incidentally for many years CN (comprising
of Canadian National Railways, Duluth Winipeg
and Pacific, Grand Trunk Western, and at one time
Central Vermont) listed something like 800 frequncies
as "theirs!" Canadian Pacific Railway was not far behind.
within the last 18 months or so, Industry Canada has been
cracking the whip so to speak.
Seems if these railways wish to claim ownership
to the numerous listed frequencies, then said
railways must pay for the right to said frequncies and
not assume since time immorial the frequncies
belong to the railways. So the latest Canadian
Trackside Guide published last February by the Bytown
Railway Society in Ottawa, Ontario now lists
those frequncies as Not licensed to CN (or CP)!

130. Scanners

Yahoo group: hamrailfans
Date: 1999-07-31 02:49:02 UTC
From: Stkntower@xxx.xxx
Topic: 14 Message: 130

To answer your question as to handhelds and scanners, well I have the miniature
Radio Shack HT,which for its size packs a wallop on receive. Transmit wise its only 200 mw with 3 volts,but it can be run off an external 9 volt supply for 2 watts output. I have it programmed to a couple of the local ham repeaters along with
the active road channels in the Stockton Ca area and so far I havent been bothered
by to much intermod. When I take a scanner with me its another Radio Shack job,
one of the 200 channel vhf,uhf and air units. It was on sale not long ago for around
150 bucks. It is bothered by intermod to some extent,but not as bad as the older
Bearcats that I still have. Incidentaly I do have a 16 channel scanner permanently mounted in my car, however its primary use is when I am traveling.I like its ability
to scan for the active NOAA weather radio broadcasts. It saved me from a nasty Thunder storm in Wyoming about a year ago. Intermod wise its horrible on the rail channels,but for what I use it for it is more than adequate.

John
wa1rka@...
stkntower@...
http://stkntower.railfan.net

131. Re: YAESU ft8100/FT90r

Yahoo group: hamrailfans
Date: 1999-07-31 10:36:45 UTC
From: penncent
Topic: 128 Message: 131

I use an old handheld rock-bound Motorola HT-220 series for my base radio here in the city to listen to Conrail (uh, excuse me, Norfolk Southern). When I put up my Antenna Specialists ASP-602 antenna (with coverage from 144 to 162 mHz), and hooked up any of my synthesized ham rigs that got up into the RR band, I was getting intermod out the wazoo. Once I put the Motorola online though, I'm getting zero intermod. If you don't mind messing around with crystals, and you don't have a lot of different frequencies you want to receive, I highly recommend an older Motorola rock-bound rig. Don Narris, N8MWY--Canton, Ohio

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132. Re: YAESU ft8100/FT90r

Yahoo group: hamrailfans
Date: 1999-07-31 23:25:53 UTC
From: Steve Passmore
Topic: 128 Message: 132

This is true. I know of one person that uses a motorola "railroad" radio factory tuned to the rr band and he gets zero intermod where I have to turn my HT off. Another who uses a Motorola business band HT which covers railroad as well as 2m. gets close to zero intermod as well.

Steve... KF6FKK
www.jps.net/spassmo/kf6fkk

At 06:36 AM 7/31/99 -0400, you wrote:
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133. YAESU ft8100/FT90r

Yahoo group: hamrailfans
Date: 1999-08-01 02:41:34 UTC
From: Bryce Lee
Topic: 128 Message: 133

>From: Steve Passmore <spassmo@...>
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Which is why I have the J-Comm (Johnson Commercial) rig in the car;
superb for railways, however I have need of a dual-band unit since
fully 95% of the amateur conversations here in Southern Ontario are
on UHF (440) due to the extremely high inter-mod on the
two metre band. That is why I was looking at the FT8100R.
I'd love to find a commercial VHF\UHF radio with the same superb
inter-mod rejection as the J-Comm.
Bryce Lee,
VA3TRN

134. Motorola HT's for ham use...

Yahoo group: hamrailfans
Date: 1999-08-01 04:39:04 UTC
From: Ron J Martin
Topic: 134 Message: 134

Steve and the list, Do you know where I can get a Motorola Radio that transmits in the 144-148 Mhz range and receives in at least 150-170 Mhz

Thanks!

Ron KC8MVA <New Callsign>
www.fanciful.org/amradio

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On Sat, 31 Jul 1999 16:25:53 -0700 (PDT) Steve Passmore <spassmo@...> writes:
>From: Steve Passmore <spassmo@...>
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135. Re: Motorola HT's for ham use...

Yahoo group: hamrailfans
Date: 1999-08-01 16:30:25 UTC
From: John Neal
Topic: 134 Message: 135

Ron, not sure if you can still find one, but Motorola used to make a Motrac with a dual front end. That is you could use it on 2 meters 144-148 and receive in the RR range for example.

Do not remember the model number, but it was solid state and was trunk mounted (control head in the front)

I'll try to find the model number for you.

73s, John, WB4VIM/NNN0FTM(Navy MARS)

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136. Re: Motorola HT's for ham use...

Yahoo group: hamrailfans
Date: 1999-08-01 17:14:56 UTC
From: Ron J Martin
Topic: 134 Message: 136

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137. Re: Motorola HT's for ham use...

Yahoo group: hamrailfans
Date: 1999-08-02 01:21:54 UTC
From: Cookie Monster
Topic: 134 Message: 137

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Paul WA6OKQ

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138. Re: Motorola HT's for ham use...

Yahoo group: hamrailfans
Date: 1999-08-02 02:25:18 UTC
From: Ron J Martin
Topic: 134 Message: 138

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Thanks!

Ron
kc8mva

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139. Re: Motorola HT's for ham use...

Yahoo group: hamrailfans
Date: 1999-08-02 06:23:25 UTC
From: smokeybehr@xxxxxxxx.xxxxxxxxxxxxxxxx)
Topic: 134 Message: 139

On Sun, 1 Aug 1999 00:39:04 -0400, you wrote:

>Steve and the list, Do you know where I can get a Motorola Radio that
>transmits in the 144-148 Mhz range and receives in at least 150-170 Mhz

I use an HT-600 as a monitor radio/pager for the fire dispatches, and
talking on the local 2m repeaters. They can be had off eBay real cheap
($200-$300 with accessories).
--
Smokey Behr - mhm21x12
ICQ:6450219 AIM: SmokyBehr1
.sig file: http://24.30.109.141/smokeysig.htm
"Have you read and do you understand the course of fire?"
"Guns are no more responsible for killing people than the spoon is for making Rosie
(O'Donnell) fat."
I love animals. I eat them and wear their skins.

140. Re: Motorola HT'

Yahoo group: hamrailfans
Date: 1999-08-02 11:07:00 UTC
From: n.mckie@genie.com
Topic: 140 Message: 140

> From: John Neal <jnealjr@...>

> Ron, not sure if you can still find one, but Motorola used to make a
> Motrac with a dual front end. That is you could use it on 2 meters
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> mounted (control head in the front)

> I'll try to find the model number for you.

> 73s, John, WB4VIM/NNN0FTM(Navy MARS)

And I might have the manual for it too. If I can find it ...

Neil

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Neil McKie, NNN0KLA, WA6KLA 541-318-7112
n.mckie@... Box 6267, Bend OR 97708

141. Fw: BNSF Passenger train on the Gateway Sub

Yahoo group: hamrailfans
Date: 1999-08-03 01:23:14 UTC
From: Harry Marnell
Topic: 141 Message: 141

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-----Original Message-----
From: Greg & Jennie Brown <lipstix@...>
To: Foamers List <foamers@...>
Date: Monday, August 02, 1999 18:19
Subject: BNSF Passenger train on the Gateway Sub

>Anyone know anything about the BNSF passenger special on the Gateway
>Sub? It just arrived Klamath Falls from Bend with two warpumpkins and
>six passenger cars, including the Great Dome.
>
>- gb -
>
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142. Re: Using either FT8100R or FT90R for scanning

Yahoo group: hamrailfans
Date: 1999-07-30 04:20:04 UTC
From: n0zezgfd@xxxx.xxx
Topic: 124 Message: 142

I purchased a Yaesu FT 90 about 6 weeks ago. Since installing it in the car I have been very pleased with it. I like the four power settings on both bands. I get good reports on the signal from the FT 90. The scan rate seems good. The reception is very good. I like the ability to name channels. It is easy to program. My only complaint, so far, has been the cooling fan is a little noisy. Also, I do miss the dual channel capability that I had with my FT 5100.

I haven't checked, but when I purchased by FT 90 the kit to detach the control head was not available. I don't know if it is now or not.

Finally, it is very amazing that so much radio can be built into a package that is about the size of a package of 100 index cards. I have no problem recommending that you look closely at the FT 90.

George
George F. Davison, Jr.
N0ZEZ
N0zezgfd@...

On 29 Jul 1999 18:33:03 -0000 shpbur@... writes:
>From: shpbur@...
>
>I am currently in the market for a mobile dual
>band radio (2m/440). Am looking at either the
>Yaesu FT8100R or the Yaesu FT90R. Is there
>body on list who may be able to comment upon
>the receive capabilities of these radios for use
>in the railway frequency band range?.
>Am located in Southern Ontario, Canada about 60
>kilometres west of Toronto.
>Presently utilizing a Yaesu FT-530 as well as J-Comm
>VHF commercial receiver (which monitors two metre repeaters
>and simplex, railway and marine frequncies.)
>Broadcast ability is encoded for two metre and railway
>railway frequencies.
>I do a monthly column for Railpace Newsmagazine published
>in New Jersey devoted to railway happenings in the North
>east as well as an expanded monthly column of railway
>news in Canada on the internet entitled Canada Calling.
>Bryce Lee,
>VA3TRN
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143. Fw: BNSF Passeng

Yahoo group: hamrailfans
Date: 1999-08-05 13:38:00 UTC
From: n.mckie@xxxxx.xxx
Topic: 143 Message: 143

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> >Sub? It just arrived Klamath Falls from Bend with two warpumpkins and
> >six passenger cars, including the Great Dome.
> >
> >- gb -
> >

I saw it as it went through Bend southbound. I found out about it when
a Portland friend paged me from Wishram and tipped me off. About the
appropriate time, I went to the southern end of Bend and videotaped it
as it passed and then again in Chemult.

Neil

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Neil McKie 541-318-7112
n.mckie@... Box 6267, Bend OR 97708
A day without watching trains is a day lost

144. Re: Motorola HT's for ham use...

Yahoo group: hamrailfans
Date: 1999-08-12 08:54:50 UTC
From: John Doe
Topic: 134 Message: 144

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>From: Ron J Martin <kf6kyv@...>
>Reply-To: hamrailfans@onelist.com
>To: hamrailfans@onelist.com
>Subject: Re: [hamrailfans] Motorola HT's for ham use...
>Date: Sun, 1 Aug 1999 22:25:18 -0400
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>From: Ron J Martin <kf6kyv@...>
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> >>
I've seen lots of HT600's and MT1000's at the swapmeets...
As far as I know they will do what you want - rx from
146 - 170? MHZ...The only proplem is finding someone
with the software to program it for you...
73 de Todd KH2TJ/6

145. FYI: RBBX train

Yahoo group: hamrailfans
Date: 1999-08-17 04:43:53 UTC
From: smokeybehr@xxxxxxxx.xxxxxxxxxxxxxxxx)
Topic: 145 Message: 145

FYI: The RBBX (circus) train just went through Fresno on the BNSF tracks heading north. This was totally unexpected, as the RBBX train is usually on the UP/SP tracks... Just a warning to everyone north of Fresno in case you want to get a look!

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Smokey Behr - mhm21x12
ICQ:6450219 AIM: SmokyBehr1
.sig file: http://24.30.109.208/smokeysig.htm
"Have you read and do you understand the course of fire?"
"Guns are no more responsible for killing people than the spoon is for making Rosie (O'Donnell) fat."
I love animals. I eat them and wear their skins.

146. Amtrak Bus in Petaluma Crash???

Yahoo group: hamrailfans
Date: 1999-08-25 00:45:53 UTC
From: Harry Marnell
Topic: 146 Message: 146

At 4:04 pm this afternoon (Tues 8/24) CHP responded to a major accident on Hwy 101at N Petaluma Blvd. First report had it as an Amtrak bus, later message called it a Greyhound and then a 43' "Marco Polo" bus. CHP Incident is online at http://cad.chp.ca.gov/ii.asp?LogNumber=GGCC1901D0824 it will automatically update itself.

Would the thruway be at Petaluma about that time? Amtrak's "Train Status" shows "No history" (but, then it shows no history for yesterday's Starlight either. Any further info, anyone?

Harry Marnell, N6URU
~~> http://www.snowcrest.net/marnells

147. RIDERLESS Amtrak Bus was in the Petaluma Crash

Yahoo group: hamrailfans
Date: 1999-08-25 22:42:24 UTC
From: Harry Marnell
Topic: 147 Message: 147

Here's the follow-up to the crash report...from the Santa Rosa Press Democrat...there were no passengers on the bus. (was it a deadhead move, or just nobody riding that trip???) Whew.

4-vehicle crash snarls commute

Aug. 25, 1999

By TOBIAS YOUNG
Press Democrat Bureau

PETALUMA -- Tuesday evening's commute on Highway 101 became a bumper-to-bumper affair when an Amtrak bus with no passengers aboard hit a pickup, starting a four-vehicle chain reaction collision just north of Petaluma.

Bus driver Bill Goodwin said he couldn't stop the empty 48-passenger bus in time for a quick-slowing line of vehicles in front of him in the northbound lanes.

His bus smacked into the rear of a utility pickup, shattering the window and grill of the bus and sending the pickup crashing into a BMW, which in turn struck a small Toyota pickup, CHP Officer Bill Beck said.

The injuries were minor, but the northbound lanes were closed for about 30 minutes after the 4 p.m. accident and traffic was bumper-to-bumper in both directions long after the collision.

Goodwin, who said he has about 35 years of driving experience without being involved in a major accident, had only small cuts from the shattered windshield.

The driver of the utility truck, John Sutton, 53, of Windsor, was treated and released from Santa Rosa Memorial Hospital for head pain and abrasions, Beck said.

In the BMW, driver Bryan Jensen, 21, and passengers Elizabeth Powers, 20, and an unidentified 15-year-old girl, all of Petaluma, were treated and released from Petaluma Valley Hospital with chest and neck pains, officials said.

The driver of the Toyota was uninjured.

148. Fw: UP road freq change

Yahoo group: hamrailfans
Date: 1999-08-26 04:26:35 UTC
From: Chris Stubblefield
Topic: 148 Message: 148

Union Pacific will change out the road channel frequency between
Dunsmuir, CA to Lincoln on the Valley Subdivision today.
The road channel of 14 will be exchanged for channel 80, 161.310. -Niles
Newcastle (from Altamontpress)

73 de KC7HTL

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149. Coast Line freqs, please

Yahoo group: hamrailfans
Date: 1999-09-15 22:32:02 UTC
From: Harry Marnell
Topic: 149 Message: 149

Going to be spending about a week in the Simi-Ventura area. With the radio freq changes UP(SP) has been doing, what are the current freqs for the area...Metrolink, Coast Line, thru there....also for Fillmore & Western.

TIA

Harry Marnell
~~~> http://www.snowcrest.net/marnells/
~~~

150. FCC Database changes

Yahoo group: hamrailfans
Date: 1999-09-25 14:03:51 UTC
From: Harry Marnell
Topic: 150 Message: 150

I see that the FCC has shut down their short-form "svartifoss" Land-Mobile-only search site, and tells you to go to the regular "gullfoss" site.

Also, new there this month is the following stuff. Quoth:

"NEW! The International Bureau Filing System (IBFS) data, including Earth Station, is now available with updated context queries. These new queries were put into place on September 22, 1999.

NEW! Mass Media data, including AM, FM, and TV Broadcast data, is available as of September 21, 1999. There is no State/County data for Mass Media.

NEW! The MDS/ITFS data is accessible through the General Menu Reports system as of September 9, 1999.

NOTE: The Microwave data has been migrated into the ULS database. As of September 1, 1999 this data is accessible in the General Menu Reports through the ULS DATABSE. The MICROWAVE PENDING data is temporarily unavailable. This data has not yet been migrated into the ULS database."

Thus saith the FCC.

Harry Marnell, N6URU
~~> http://www.snowcrest.net/marnells

151. PacCon and railfanning

Yahoo group: hamrailfans
Date: 1999-10-09 04:35:21 UTC
From: Chris Stubblefield
Topic: 151 Message: 151

myself and at least two other railhams plan on attending the Pac Con (Mt Diablo) amateur convention next week in Concord, CA. Anyone have any good ideas on railfanning close by. Not familair with Franklin Canyon so any directions or links on the Internet would be appreciated. Also what is the local simplex UHF for rail(hams) and friendly repeaters.
73
Chris KC7HTL

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152. The railfan needs something badly; can you help?

Yahoo group: hamrailfans
Date: 1999-10-11 15:13:20 UTC
From: Wil Brubaker
Topic: 152 Message: 152

I used-to be a ham, thirty years ago with a novice ticket. I take slides, and I am reaching the end of my storage stuff. I used Seary Slide Files, and the guy went out of business; does anyone on the list have a good storage system I can check out? Plastic boxes seem a good one; is anyone y'all know of making them?

You can address me off-list at wil8apcc@..., and thanx in advance, Wil Brubaker

153. Re: AOE Bay Area time??

Yahoo group: hamrailfans
Date: 1999-10-23 17:14:48 UTC
From: Harry Marnell
Topic: 153 Message: 153

Do we have any equipment numbers for this train today?

Harry

-----Original Message-----
From: Dan Monroe <daniel3199@...>
To: foamers@... <foamers@...>; calrailfans@onelist.com
<calrailfans@onelist.com>
Date: Saturday, October 23, 1999 10:04
Subject: [Calrailfans] AOE Bay Area time??

>From: "Dan Monroe" <daniel3199@...>
>
>Hello,
>does anyone know what time the American Orient Express
>train would arrive in the SF bay area??
>I think it is scheduled to arrive in the bay area
>today.
>Has anyone seen it in the Santa Barbara or SLO area today???
>Thank you for any info!
>
>
>DC Email!
>free email for the community - http://www.DCemail.com
>
>>

154. railroad mechanical

Yahoo group: hamrailfans
Date: 1999-11-22 17:17:10 UTC
From: Chris Stubblefield
Topic: 154 Message: 154

fowarded from the NP Telltale list

Subject: Railroad Mechanical

This is from an issue of "Snakebites" (no, it has noting to do with the Snake Line). It'll give some insight on how a railroad's mechanical department works.

ale

(Problem)Thin flanges on #3 wheel set almost needs replacement
(Solution) Almost replaced #3 wheel set

(P) Dynamic brake not effective at any speed
(S) This locomotive not equipped with dynamic brake

(P) Locomotive smokes excessively
(S) Cigarettes on locomotive removed

(P) #2 traction motor seeping oil
(S) #2 traction motor seepage normal - #1 #3 and #4 motors lack normal seepage

(P) Something loose in cab
(S) Something tightened in cab

(P) Evidence of leak in crankcase
(S) Evidence removed

(P) Alerter volume unbelievably loud
(S) Volume set to more believable level

(P) Locomotive dances up and down when brake applied at 40 MPH
(S) Could not reproduce problem in roundhouse.

(P) Dead bugs on windshield
(S) Live bugs on order

(P) Emergency brake application caused dynamic brake to fail
(S) Yeah, that's right

(P) Engine missing
(S) Engine found under hood after brief search

(P) Locomotive handles funny
(S) Locomotive given verbal warning to be serious

(P) Radio hums
(S) Reprogrammed radio with the words

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155. TEST

Yahoo group: hamrailfans
Date: 1999-12-01 04:21:47 UTC
From: JMi1058349@xxx.xxx
Topic: 155 Message: 155

Test

156. New Member

Yahoo group: hamrailfans
Date: 1999-12-01 04:26:22 UTC
From: JMi1058349@xxx.xxx
Topic: 156 Message: 156

Hello All,

My name is Joe and I live in the Philadelphia, Pennsylvania area. I look forward to meeting you all and reading your postings.

73's
Joe

157. Mobile Radios for Railfanning?

Yahoo group: hamrailfans
Date: 1999-12-01 04:37:32 UTC
From: spassmo
Topic: 157 Message: 157

I'm looking to buy a dual band mobile rig. I had pretty much settled on the Yaesu FT-8100R but have seen several messages on the net about failures and design flaws with the radio. So I've been shopping around a bit more and the Kenwood TM-V7A also has most of the features I'm looking for. The Yaesu has the super wide band recieve and since 99% of the time I'll be using it for RR band recieve is why I was leaning toward it. One advantage of the Kenwood is it has 0.16 Sensitivity wheras the Yaesu has 0.18 (Not sure if this is a big enough difference to be noticeable though.).
Just wondering if any of you have any experiences or comments about these radios.

Thanks, Steve Passmore KF6FKK
www.jps.net/spassmo/kf6fkk

158. Re: Mobile Radios for Railfanning?

Yahoo group: hamrailfans
Date: 1999-12-01 05:19:04 UTC
From: Chris Stubblefield
Topic: 157 Message: 158

I have the Yaesu 8000 which is the earlier model of the 8100, sans the removeable display. I like mine a lot, the only problem was the VHF volume knob which also doubles to change from VHF to UHF by pressing the left or right knob depending on band selection. Mine had a contact go band which Yaesu replaced and has performed flawlessly since. One can also control band selection by toggling one of the buttons on the mic. Don't think the sens. between the two is going to make much difference, selectivity might be better if one lives near crappy paging transmitters. Dual-band radios are wide band and as such are not as sensitive out of the ham band and do recieve spurious and front-end signals. If one wants selectivity and sensitivity but dosen't care about field programming or talking to others then a commercial rig might be better. I'm satisfied with my results using a 5/8 wave antenna.

Chris Stubblefield KC7HTL

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159. Philadelphia Map, Frequency and Info

Yahoo group: hamrailfans
Date: 1999-12-01 06:33:22 UTC
From: JMi1058349@xxx.xxx
Topic: 159 Message: 159

Hello,

I'm new to this hobby and I was wondering if anyone knows were I can get a detailed map of the Philadelphia/South Jersey area that shows mileposts, signals, tunnels, bridges/tressels, sidings, industrial lines, yards etc.? I have the Steam Powered Videos Atlas of North America but it's not really detailed. Also where I can get a very comprehensive list of frequencies for the Southeastern Pennsylvania area? I have the Compendium of Railroad Radio Frequencies 15th edition and Railroad Radio but I'm looking for something local. I tried the local hobby shops and no luck.

Thank You!
73's
Joe

160. Re: New Member

Yahoo group: hamrailfans
Date: 1999-12-01 06:43:14 UTC
From: KeithKyer@xxx.xxx
Topic: 156 Message: 160

Hi Joe,

My name is Keith and I live in Phoenix, AZ. I am glad to finally see a post come through the list. I have been signed on for a couple of weeks and had not seen a post come through yet.

I look forward to reading others posts also.

Keith KD7GYB

73's

161. making some noise

Yahoo group: hamrailfans
Date: 1999-12-01 10:06:06 UTC
From: penncent
Topic: 161 Message: 161

Are there any hams from eastern Ohio/western Pennsylvania on this list?
Don--N8MWY--Canton, Ohio

162. Re: New Member

Yahoo group: hamrailfans
Date: 1999-12-06 05:40:00 UTC
From: n.mckie@xxxxx.xxx
Topic: 156 Message: 162

> From: KeithKyer@...

> Hi Joe,

> My name is Keith and I live in Phoenix, AZ. I am glad to finally
> see a post come through the list. I have been signed on for a couple
> of weeks and had not seen a post come through yet.

> I look forward to reading others posts also.
> Keith KD7GYB

Welcome to the list ... from Neil in Central Oregon ... near Bend ...

> 73's

I wonder... How do you say `Best Regards's' ...? 73 literally
translated means `Best Regards'. 73's makes a plural of an already
plural word ... does that make sense?

Neil

163. Re: [Calrailfans] Dec 18th

Yahoo group: hamrailfans
Date: 1999-12-13 17:02:03 UTC
From: Harry Marnell
Topic: 163 Message: 163

If I'm able to make it, I'll prob bring my 6 yr old who know more about train than I did at 30 ~~~~>http://www.snowcrest.net/marnells/Nicholas.htm

Is there a ham freq for us amatooters, in case we get lost looking for a tower that isn't? Preferably 2 meters...

Harry "Noel Defects" Marnell

> >just a quick reminder that a bunch of us are gonna go to the location of
> the
> >Former Stockton Tower to railfan and BS...all are invited, I'll be there
> >around 8 or so, so far our weather is holding on, and except for cold
> >mornings, there has been no fog.
> >
> >David Epling
> >Central California Rails: http://cencalrails.railfan.net

164. Re: Re: [Calrailfans] Dec 18th

Yahoo group: hamrailfans
Date: 1999-12-13 17:12:32 UTC
From: David Epling
Topic: 163 Message: 164

Good question as to the Freq...yes there is...I'll get a hold of John Manter
if he hasn't already read this, I know he is going to be there on the 18th,
and I know he has a portable, because we took it to Maine with us in May...

David Epling
Central California Rails: http://cencalrails.railfan.net
Sacramento Central: http://saccentral.railfan.net
California Northern: http://members.xoom.com/calnorthern
International Railfair: http://www.mei-protel.com/irf.htm
----- Original Message -----
From: "Harry Marnell" <marnells@...>
To: <Calrailfans@onelist.com>
Sent: Monday, December 13, 1999 9:02 AM
Subject: [hamrailfans] Re: [Calrailfans] Dec 18th

> From: "Harry Marnell" <marnells@...>
>
> If I'm able to make it, I'll prob bring my 6 yr old who know more about
> train than I did at 30 ~~~~>http://www.snowcrest.net/marnells/Nicholas.htm
>
> Is there a ham freq for us amatooters, in case we get lost looking for a
> tower that isn't? Preferably 2 meters...
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> Harry "Noel Defects" Marnell
>
> > >just a quick reminder that a bunch of us are gonna go to the location
of
> > the
> > >Former Stockton Tower to railfan and BS...all are invited, I'll be
there
> > >around 8 or so, so far our weather is holding on, and except for cold
> > >mornings, there has been no fog.
> > >
> > >David Epling
> > >Central California Rails: http://cencalrails.railfan.net
>
>

165. Re: [Calrailfans

Yahoo group: hamrailfans
Date: 1999-12-14 15:43:00 UTC
From: n.mckie@xxxxx.xxx
Topic: 165 Message: 165

Hello - to the whomever ...

Please change my e-mail address from --

n.mckie@... to n.mckie@...

Thanks,

Neil

166. Re: Re: [Calrailfans

Yahoo group: hamrailfans
Date: 1999-12-15 14:21:13 UTC
From: David Epling
Topic: 165 Message: 166

E-mail address changes are done at Onelist by the list member, I can do it, but I would Prefer that you change it yourself to avoid any potential problems

David Epling
Central California Rails: http://cencalrails.railfan.net
Sacramento Central: http://saccentral.railfan.net
California Northern: http://members.xoom.com/calnorthern
International Railfair: http://www.mei-protel.com/irf.htm
----- Original Message -----
From: <n.mckie@...>
To: <hamrailfans@onelist.com>
Sent: Tuesday, December 14, 1999 7:43 AM
Subject: [hamrailfans] Re: [Calrailfans

> From: n.mckie@...
>
> Hello - to the whomever ...
>
> Please change my e-mail address from --
>
> n.mckie@... to n.mckie@...
>
> Thanks,
>
> Neil
>
>

167. New UP Radio Channels

Yahoo group: hamrailfans
Date: 1999-12-16 00:16:29 UTC
From: Cookie Monster
Topic: 167 Message: 167

Hi gang,

I have information that the Cal-P and Ozol yard channels have been changed. I put the complete updated list of area UP channels on my web page.

http://home1.gte.net/stumpie/

The last button on the page points to this list.
Note that the Packset Channel numbers are different than the AAR channel numbers.

Regards,

Paul
--
Cookie Monster, official Curmudgeon of the new millennium!

168. Fw: Radio Breach & Old San Diego County ham case

Yahoo group: hamrailfans
Date: 1999-12-30 06:56:09 UTC
From: Harry Marnell
Topic: 168 Message: 168

About 5-10 years ago there was a widely publicized case (among hams & scanner enthusiasts, anyway) in San Diego County, where a ham used a SDSO freq to request help for a possibly broken leg, as I recall. He was called in to discuss it with the Sheriff, FCC & possibly FBI. I believe he had to surrender his equipment and was possibly fined and/or given jail time.

Does anyone recall this incident, or know how it turned out? He was claiming that FCC Sections 97-403 & 97-405 permitted what he did...

Harry
http://www.snowcrest.net/marnells/kma367.htm <~~ LAPD Communications History

-----Original Message-----
From: Dan Hancock <n8djp@...>
To: Dispatch@onelist.com <Dispatch@onelist.com>
Date: Wednesday, December 29, 1999 22:22
Subject: Re: [Dispatch] Radio Breach

From: "Dan Hancock" <n8djp@...>

Better check FCC rules and regs there, chum. In a real emergency, when no other means of cummunication is available, any citizen may use any radio on any frequency to summon help. This is even set forth by the ITU (International Telecommunications Union), of which the USA is a charter member.
.....

169. Re: Radio Breach & Old San Diego County ham case

Yahoo group: hamrailfans
Date: 1999-12-30 07:31:22 UTC
From: Harry Marnell
Topic: 169 Message: 169

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-----Original Message-----
From: Curlinob@... <Curlinob@...>
To: SCAN-L@... <SCAN-L@...>
Date: Wednesday, December 29, 1999 23:26
Subject: Re: Fw: Radio Breach & Old San Diego County ham case

I believe the charges were dropped and he had to forfeit H. T. (Ham Radio)
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170. Fw: Radio Breach & Old San Diego County ham case

Yahoo group: hamrailfans
Date: 1999-12-30 07:41:49 UTC
From: Harry Marnell
Topic: 168 Message: 170

-----Original Message-----
From: Marcelrf <Marcelrf@...>
To: SCAN-L@... <SCAN-L@...>
Date: Wednesday, December 29, 1999 23:39
Subject: Re: Fw: [socalscan] Fw: Radio Breach & Old San Diego County ham case

A few years ago in NYC a Jet went off the runway at LGA and ended up in the bay. The Plane almost hit the Rikers Island (Correctional facility) bridge a
"Buff" got on the on Correction Dept. freqs and alerted the Correction dept. I believed he also suffered a similar fate as the guy in LA. What made it
worst he was involved in Public Safety!

Marcel

Harry Marnell wrote:

> -----Original Message-----
> From: Bud Jamison <thekat@...>
> To: socalscan@onelist.com <socalscan@onelist.com>
> Date: Wednesday, December 29, 1999 23:22
> Subject: Re: [socalscan] Fw: Radio Breach & Old San Diego County ham case
>
> From: "Bud Jamison" <thekat@...>
>
> In that case, the guy was calling because his buddy had gone head-over on
> his ATV.
>
> He did have to surrender his radio to the County, no other charges were
> made. He tried later to get the radio back, but the County Board of Supervisors
> stood behind the Sheriff on the forfeiture.
>
> The FCC allowed the SO to handle the case, but they have been VERY clear
> that the FCC rule is you can use any HAM freq, even one you don't have
> privledges on, but NOT the right to use Law Enforcement or other freqs you have no rights to, even in an emergency (using your own equipment, that is).
>
> > From: "Harry Marnell" <marnells@...>
> >
> > About 5-10 years ago there was a widely publicized case (among hams &
> >scanner enthusiasts, anyway) in San Diego County, where a ham used a SDSO
> >freq to request help for a possibly broken leg, as I recall. He was
> called in to
> >discuss it with the Sheriff, FCC & possibly FBI. I believe he had to
> surrender his
> >equipment and was possibly fined and/or given jail time.
> >

> > Does anyone recall this incident, or know how it turned out? He was
> claiming that
> >FCC Sections 97-403 & 97-405 permitted what he did...
>
> > socalscan - Southern California Scanner Mail List/Reflector
> Encourage your scanner friends to subscribe by going to:
> http://www.onelist.com/subscribe.cgi/socalscan

171. Re: Radio Breach.....

Yahoo group: hamrailfans
Date: 1999-12-31 15:07:36 UTC
From: Phil Kane
Topic: 171 Message: 171

> Date: Wed, 29 Dec 1999 22:56:09 -0800
> From: "Harry Marnell" <marnells@...>
> Subject: Fw: Radio Breach & Old San Diego County ham case
>
> About 5-10 years ago there was a widely publicized case
> (among hams & scanner enthusiasts, anyway) in San Diego
> County, where a ham used a SDSO freq to request help for a
> possibly broken leg, as I recall. He was called in to
> discuss it with the Sheriff, FCC & possibly FBI. I believe
> he had to surrender his equipment and was possibly fined
> and/or given jail time.

> Does anyone recall this incident, or know how it turned out?
> He was claiming that FCC Sections 97-403 & 97-405 permitted
> what he did...

The Sheriff's Department certified to the FCC that there was
alternative communications available. Technicians of the SD
went to that location and verified that several active ham
radio repeaters were easily accessed with the equipment in
questions. It did not help the amateur's case that he was
"well known" to the SD's comm department as a "pain in the
....".

> Date: Wednesday, December 29, 1999 22:22
> Subject: Re: [Dispatch] Radio Breach
> From: "Dan Hancock" <n8djp@...>
>
> Better check FCC rules and regs there, chum.

Are YOU a communications law attorney, "CHUM"?? (Yes, *I*
am.....)

> In a real emergency, when no other means of cummunication is
> available, any citizen

Err....One does not have to be a citizen to do that.

> may use any radio on any frequency to summon help.

This is only an affirmative defense, which means that the
burden of proof that this was a "real emergency" and that
there were no other "legal" means of communications available
is on the indivdual claiminmg that defense.

As noted above, the individual in question failec to mmet
that burden.

The case was resolved by means of one of the FCC'as favorite "plea bargain" solutions: voluntary surrender (not forfeiture, not "confidcation") of the equipment being used for unauthorized communivations and formal charges deferred on condition of no further complaints or instances of unauthorized activites.

73 de Phil Kane - K2ASP
FCC District Director (Retired)

172. Re: Radio Breach.....

Yahoo group: hamrailfans
Date: 1999-12-31 17:28:49 UTC
From: Neil McKie
Topic: 171 Message: 172

Phil Kane wrote:

> From: "Phil Kane" <phil@...>

Oh, you again ... I wondered where you went. I had forgotten where it was I `discovered' you in the first time.

---------- snip ----------

> Are YOU a communications law attorney, "CHUM"?? (Yes, *I*
> am.....)
>
> > In a real emergency, when no other means of cummunication is
> > available, any citizen
>
> Err....One does not have to be a citizen to do that.
>
> > may use any radio on any frequency to summon help.
>
> This is only an affirmative defense, which means that the
> burden of proof that this was a "real emergency" and that
> there were no other "legal" means of communications available
> is on the indivdual claiminmg that defense.

Well put. I'm a former radio tech with a local county government agency. One occasion, a local ham flat told me that in an emergency, he'd get on the sheriff's office repeater to call in an emergency. Since I didn't want to create an unpleasant situation, I didn't argue. Just made a mental note of who said it.

> As noted above, the individual in question failec to mmet that burden.
>
> The case was resolved by means of one of the FCC'as favorite
> "plea bargain" solutions: voluntary surrender (not forfeiture,
> not "confidcation") of the equipment being used for unauthorized
> communivations and formal charges deferred on condition of no
> further complaints or instances of unauthorized activites.

Interesting ...

> 73 de Phil Kane - K2ASP
> FCC District Director (Retired)

And now living in Beaverton. :-)

So, how much are you into railroads? The Portland & Western Railroad (sister company to Willamette & Pacific) road frequency should be 160.77

MHz.

73,

Neil McKie in Central Oregon
n.mckie@...

173. from the NW Fusee list

Yahoo group: hamrailfans
Date: 2000-01-01 05:01:49 UTC
From: Chris Stubblefield
Topic: 173 Message: 173

--------- Forwarded message ----------
From: FNWEditor@...
To: FNWEditor@...
Date: Fri, 31 Dec 1999 19:02:57 EST
Subject: FNW Fusee - 31Dec99
Message-ID: <0.15f80b77.259e9e31@...>

With the uncertainty of the Y2K problem, many railroads around the country
are not taking chances tonight and are shutting down during the midnight hour.

Amtrak will hold trains at stations trains will arrive in closest to
midnight. For example, #8 (Empire Builder) is planning on spending some extra
time in Ephrata WA tonight. #28 (Empire Builder - Portland Section) will
spend the same time in Pasco WA. Amtrak is also offering special New Year's
festivities aboard some of its trains around the country.

UP and BNSF both plan on not running over the midnight hour, holding trains
for later departures or stopping enroute trains for a period before and after
midnight. BNSF plans on parking trains at the earliest possible point
beginning at 23:15 with all trains stopped by 23:45. After midnight, trains
will start proceeding again with special speed restrictions. UP's startup

will be similar, with normal speeds not allowed until at least one train has
passed a section of track under the special restricted speeds.

In addition to the overnight plans, both UP and BNSF reduced their planned
operations drastically so the above would be as unnecessary as possible. On
the BNSF, there were to be no departures from home terminals from the
afternoon on today. Away terminal departures were being allowed with the
intent of getting crews home before midnight. Traffic for time sensitive
customers like coal will still be run as scheduled with the provisions listed
above.
==========
Late News: BCRail employees have made good on a threat to close down
Deltaport in Vancouver BC. This may mean additional traffic through the

other
ports in the Pacific Northwest. Keep your eye on the main line for more
traffic.
==========
My sincere apologies to everyone on the Fusee list for not having a Fusee

issued lately. Obviously, I have missed some important items, most
notably
the merger announcement between BNSF and CN. Because of issues I won't go

into here, it is not always possible for me to issue a Fusee when it is
needed. Fortunately, there are a number of other sources for rail news on
the
Internet. They just don't all deliver to your personal mailbox. I hope to
be
able to get back "on track" in 2000 with delivery of the Fusee, but if I
don't please understand that it is not being discontinued, just delayed.

For the staff of Flimsies Northwest!, I wish you all a very Happy New
Year
and a train-filled year 2000.

Ken

Ken Liesse
Managing Editor,
Flimsies Northwest!

FNW Fusee
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174. SCPC-FDM LIST

Yahoo group: hamrailfans
Date: 2000-01-08 23:57:13 UTC
From: juan_sanchete@xxxxxxx.xx
Topic: 174 Message: 174

You're invited to join a community called SCPC-FDM.

Here's a description of this community:

DISCUSION OF SCPC and FDM RECEPTION (and similar)
The purpose of this list is to provide a forum for satellite dish-scanner/Ham radio owner and communications hobbyists interested in SCPC-FDM reception.
Discusion of set-up and reception techniques of
SCPC - Single Carrier per Channel. FDM - Frequency division multiplexed
No one should try to use the SCPC-FDM mailing list in order to break any law !.
The list owner will NOT assume ANY responsibility for the use,misuse, or abuse,of the information shared within this list.

You may join by visiting
http://www.onelist.com/subscribe/SCPC-FDM

Regards.
List Owner.

175. SCPC-FDM LIST

Yahoo group: hamrailfans
Date: 2000-01-09 00:08:02 UTC
From: juan_sanchete@xxxxxxx.xx
Topic: 174 Message: 175

You're invited to join a community called SCPC-FDM.

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Regards.
List Owner.

176. Fw: [onelist_moderators] Friday evening maintenance

Yahoo group: hamrailfans
Date: 2000-01-11 04:22:12 UTC
From: David Epling
Topic: 176 Message: 176

Just so everyone knows why they cannot send or receive ONElist E-mails between the time mentioned below David Epling Central California Rails http://cencalrails.railfan.net Central California Traction: http://members.xoom.com/tractionco California Northern: http://members.xoom.com/calnorthern Sacramento Central: http://saccentral.railfan.net ----- Original Message ----- From: To: Sent: Monday, January 10, 2000 6:37 PM Subject: [onelist_moderators] Friday evening maintenance From: admin@onelist.com Dear ONElist Moderator, In order to continue to provide you with the best service possible, the ONElist Web site will be off-line for routine maintenance from Friday, January 14th at 6:00 p.m. until Saturday, January 15th at 6:00 a.m., Pacific Standard Time. All emails posted during that time will not be processed until Saturday, January 15th at 6:00 a.m., Pacific Standard Time. Due to the backlog which will occur, some email will not be delivered until later that morning, probably no later than 8:00 a.m. We apologize for any inconvenience this may cause. Please inform your subscribers of this scheduled downtime. Thank you, The ONElist Team ---------- ONElist Sponsor ---------- Independent contractors: Find your next project gig through JobSwarm! You can even make money by referring friends. Click Here (http://clickme.onelist.com/ad/jobswarm2)
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177. (no subject)

Yahoo group: hamrailfans
Date: 2000-01-12 06:26:53 UTC
From: Harry Marnell
Topic: 177 Message: 177

ASSUMING my tickets arrive, I'll be taking Amtrak #11 and #14 from Redding to Simi Valley & back this week. Can someone provide me with - or steer me to - a current list of the SP, er UP, and Metrolink (?) freqs for the route. Esp the road channels...

Any good wide area 2-meter repeaters too...

Thanks in advance... (omygod, I'll be away from email for almost a WEEK! Yikes)

Harry Marnell, N6URU

LAPD Communications History Page:
http://www.snowcrest.net/marnells/kma367.htm

178. Re:

Yahoo group: hamrailfans
Date: 2000-01-12 13:15:09 UTC
From: Larry Klodt
Topic: 178 Message: 178

Sounds like a fun trip! LARRY KC0HBB ----- Original Message ----- From: Harry Marnell To: Sent: Wednesday, January 12, 2000 12:26 AM Subject: [hamrailfans] > From: "Harry Marnell" > > ASSUMING my tickets arrive, I'll be taking Amtrak #11 and #14 from Redding to Simi Valley & back this week. Can someone provide me with - or steer me to - a current list of the SP, er UP, and Metrolink (?) freqs for the route. Esp the road channels... > > Any good wide area 2-meter repeaters too... > > Thanks in advance... (omygod, I'll be away from email for almost a WEEK! Yikes) > > Harry Marnell, N6URU > > LAPD Communications History Page: > http://www.snowcrest.net/marnells/kma367.htm > > > > ---------- ONElist Sponsor ---------- > > Get great offers on top-notch products that match your interests! > Sign up for eLerts at: > Click Here (http://clickme.onelist.com/ad/elerts1) > > ---------- >

179. Railfan Supplies

Yahoo group: hamrailfans
Date: 2000-01-14 00:38:49 UTC
From: JMi1058349@xxx.xxx
Topic: 179 Message: 179

Hello all,

My name is Joe and I live in the Philadelphia, Pa/South Jersey area. I was wondering if anyone knows where I can buy railroad track maps, timetables, Radio Frequencies, Train Symbols, and other important information for the railfan. I'm new to this hobby and need some help. I'm looking for information for CSX Philadelphia Sub-Division, Amtrak NEC Philadelphia to Baltimore, Conrail (CSAO) Chester Secondary and Stoney Creek Yard, South Philly Yard, South Jersey Secondaries and Yards, SEPTA Lines, PATCO, and other railroads and lines operating in South Eastern PA, South Jersey, and New Castle Co. DE area.

I do have the following books: Northeast Railfan Timetable #2, Compendium of Railroad Radio Frequencies 15th ed., Steam Powered Videos Railroad Atlas of North America, and Railroad radio.

I have a few locals helping me out (You know who you are) but I'm looking for paper products for sale or where I can buy them.

Thanks in Advance,
Joe
Delaware Co., Pa

180. moderator message

Yahoo group: hamrailfans
Date: 2000-01-14 23:05:01 UTC
From: David Epling
Topic: 180 Message: 180

ONElist will be down from 6pm until 6am PST today (Jan 14, 2000), during which NO MAIL will be processed. If I read the moderator alert E-mail correctly, ONElist will not hold anything sent to I during this down time...so please hold your messages

thanks

David Epling
Central California Rails http://cencalrails.railfan.net
Central California Traction: http://members.xoom.com/tractionco
California Northern: http://members.xoom.com/calnorthern
Sacramento Central: http://saccentral.railfan.net

181. you know when.....

Yahoo group: hamrailfans
Date: 2000-01-17 05:18:07 UTC
From: Chris Stubblefield
Topic: 181 Message: 181

--------- Forwarded message ----------

Message: 1
Date: Tue, 11 Jan 2000 07:54:57 -0800
From: "Wilkens, Richard S" <richard.s.wilkens@...>
Subject: You Know You're A Railfan When...

You Know You're a Railfan When...

1. You shop for a house next to the tracks instead of away from them!

2. When planning your next vacation, you choose your travel route based upon
the location of active railroads and railroad museums.

3. When you blow your horn two longs, a short, and a long through every intersection.
> >
> >4. Speaking of intersections, you call the signals as you go through them.
> >
> >5. You call your local zoning commission to ask if you can use a boxcar for
> a
> >shed.
> >
> >6. You wonder why automobiles don't come equipped with couplers.
> >
> >7. While engaged in intimate relations, you suddenly find yourself mentally
> >debating the relative merits of Genesis vs. F40s.
> >
> >8. Your wife tells you her water burst, and your first reaction is, "My
> God,
> >her boiler will be ruined!"
> >
> >9. When you end every phone conversation with "Roger"
> >
> >10. When being served dinner, you say, "Easy, easy, that'll do!" as you've
> >gotten enough.
> >
> >11. When riding with someone who's backing into a parking space, you say,
> >"two cars -- one car -- far enough."

> >
> >12. When you get a shopping cart with a bad wheel, you tag it and set
it
> >aside for the shops to repair, or park it in an aisle and put up a
blue
> flag
> >in front of and behind it.
> >
> >13. You curse the dispatcher when you're held up in traffic.
> >
> >14. While driving your car, you put your arm on the window sill and
wave
> your
> >hand and blow your horn to all kids standing on the street.
> >
> >15. Your wife opens her wallet to show the relatives photos of the
children
> >while you open your wallet to show them your latest rail photos from
last
> >weeks fan trip.
> >
> >16. You install a pedal operated bell in your car and ring it while
driving
> >across railroad crossings.
> >
> >17. You open your refrigerator door only to find it full of film for
the
> next
> >fan trip.
> >
> >18. You find yourself looking for old locomotives and color schemes
during
> >the obligatory chase scene through the rail yards when you're watching
old
> >cop shows and movies on TV.
> >
> >19. The efforts of Hollywood to re-create an earlier era using trains
is
> met
> >with your derisive snort, "They didn't have GP40-2s in 1970! Can't
they get
> >it right?"
> >
> >20. You're on Amtrak, you find out that the guy across the aisle is a
> >Railfan, and your wives look at each other, roll their eyes and sigh.
> >
> >21. You're in your car and you come up to a railroad crossing. The
crossing
> >lights are not flashing and no trains are coming, but you slow to a
crawl

> and
> >look up the track both ways in hope of seeing a train.
> >
> >22. You are on a rail facility tour and start talking to one of the
> mechanics
> >on the shop floor only to find out that you know more than he does.
> >
> >23. You rent certain movies at the video store because you know there
is a
> >very cool train scene in it.
> >
> >24. You refuse to cross the tracks until your favorite train has
passed by.
> >
> >25. You barbecue using tie butts -- for that special flavor!
> >
> >26. You tell your wife you are going down to the corner bar to have a
few
> >drinks with the guys, however, you go to your favorite train watching
spot
> to
> >take a few photos.
> >
> >27. You are on a highway overpass at 60 mph and you suddenly shout,
"That's
> >the Seaboard down there!" and you can't believe the others in the car
> didn't
> >recognize it by the color of the ballast.
> >
> >28. You tell your wife you would like take a nice ride to look at
scenery,
> >and she asks, "Should I bring something to read while you look at the
> >'scenery' in the rail yard?"
> >
> >29. You can't understand why everyone else doesn't understand what
> "approach>
> >diverging" means.
> >
> >30. It would not be to your advantage for the railroad police to come
to
> your
> >house and look around.
> >
> >31. You get tired of explaining to people that, because you have a
scanner,
> >you are not a fireman.
> >
> >32. Your relatives think of you when they see a train.
> >
> >33. You get irritated whenever a train wrecks because non-railfans

"invade"
> >your special train watching spots.
> >
> >34. The train crews know you by first name or you know them by first
name.
> >
> >35. When all your friends rely on you to tell them when the morning
train
> >comes through -- so they can avoid it!
> >
> >36. You stop at all railroad crossings and pray for the gates to come
down.
> >
> >37. You are happy to be at a grade crossing when a long freight is
passing,
> >while those around you fume.
> >
> >38. You see a headlight approaching at a grade crossing, and you slow
down
> >when everyone is speeding up.
> >
> >39. You take your date to a railroad yard, just to check on what's
> happening.
> >
> >40. You're watching a movie and you say, "New York? How can they be in
New
> >York when there's a UP freight going by?"
> >
> >41. You show up trackside to film the fantrip passing through and you
have
> so
> >much camera equipment that the locals ask you which TV station you're
with.
> >
> >42. You're reading a book about "choo-choos" to your kid and you stop
to
> >explain that they've got the side rods drawn all wrong.
> >
> >43. You can find the rail yard in a strange city within 5 minutes or
less
> of
> >leaving the interstate.
> >
> >44. You find yourself telling the scanner what it is going to say
next.
> >
> >45. "TRAINS" and "PLAYBOY" arrive in the mail the same day and you
open
> >"TRAINS" first.
> >

> >46. You're driving near some tracks with your non-railfan buddies and
you
> see
> >a train and shout, "A matched set of SD45s!"
> >
> >47. You go to your closet and there is no room for clothes because of
all
> the
> >slide files and model railroad boxes.
> >
> >48. You love to eat microwave dinners because they remind you of the
meals
> >you had on your recent Amtrak ride. (not quite)
> >
> >49. You know you're a railfan when you work for the railroad, try to
act
> cool
> >and ignore it all while at work. Then, when you get home, watch how
your
> >blood pressure rises to extremely high levels as you relive it in all
it's
> >glory to anybody who will listen.
> >
> >50. Your door bell sounds like a steam engine whistle when someone
pushes
> the
> >button.
> >
> >And Finally You Definitely Know You Are An Honest To God True Railfan
> When...
> >
> >You're reading this list and not only understand every word of it, you
have
> >said "Hey that's me!" more times than you'd like to admit!
> >
>
>

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182. Railway Company Adds Three Engines

Yahoo group: hamrailfans
Date: 2000-01-22 07:01:25 UTC
From: Smokey Behr
Topic: 182 Message: 182

From Ventura County Star, 20 Jan 2000 page E6

FILLMORE - The Fillmore and Western Railway recently purchased three ALCO S-6 locomotives from Ventura County Railway to expand its dinner train, family excursion rides and film production services.

The 45-foot ALCO S-6s are 900-horse-power, six-cylinder diesels.

The engines (sic) will be painted with their original tiger stripe scheme and new headlights and accessories will be added.

The locomotives were originally purchased by Southern Pacific Railroad in the 1950s.

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Smokey Behr - mhm21x12
ICQ:6450219 AIM: SmokyBehr1
.sig file: http://207.175.231.240/smokeysig.htm
I love defenseless animals, especially in a good gravy.
When guns are outlawed, a rapist will never hear, "Stop, or I'll shoot"
Are people more violently opposed to fur rather than leather because it's much easier to harass rich women than motorcycle gangs?
Free DSL? YES! Click on the link below for more information!
http://i.winfire.com/s/isapiEng.dll/wf.exe?cmd=rl&508,180016344&wf.exe

183. Train Hits Cars Stuck On Riverside Tracks

Yahoo group: hamrailfans
Date: 2000-01-25 00:45:01 UTC
From: Smokey Behr
Topic: 183 Message: 183

...And the carnage continues...

http://dailynews.yahoo.com/h/2000/20000124/lo/20000124025.html

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184. Re: Train Hits Cars Stuck On Riverside Tracks

Yahoo group: hamrailfans
Date: 2000-01-25 02:29:40 UTC
From: Chris Stubblefield
Topic: 183 Message: 184

On Tue, 25 Jan 2000 00:45:01 GMT smokeybehr@... (Smokey Behr) writes: > From: smokeybehr@... (Smokey Behr) > > ...And the carnage continues... > > http://dailynews.yahoo.com/h/2000/20000124/lo/20000124025.html > > -- > Smokey Behr - mhm21x12 > ICQ:6450219 AIM: SmokyBehr1 > .sig file: http://207.175.231.240/smokeysig.htm > I love defenseless animals, especially in a good gravy. > When guns are outlawed, a rapist will never hear, "Stop, or I'll > shoot" > Are people more violently opposed to fur rather than leather because > it's much easier to harass rich women than motorcycle gangs? > Free DSL? YES! Click on the link below for more information! > http://i.winfire.com/s/isapiEng.dll/wf.exe?cmd=rl&508,180016344&wf.exe > > > > ---------- ONElist Sponsor > ---------- > > Was the salesman clueless? Productopia has the answers. > Click > Here (http://clickme.onelist.com/ad/productopiacpc2) > > ---------- > > _____ YOU'RE PAYING TOO MUCH FOR THE INTERNET! Juno now offers FREE Internet Access! Try it today - there's no risk! For your FREE software, visit: http://dl.www.juno.com/get/tagj.

185. Police Call's George Switlyk passes

Yahoo group: hamrailfans
Date: 2000-02-01 04:25:32 UTC
From: Harry Marnell
Topic: 185 Message: 185

I've just received this info from Gene Hughes, founder of the "Police Call" books:

George Switlyk, co-founder and data editor for the nine national volumes of Police Call, died very suddenly this morning from a massive heart attack. He was my associate for 27 years, and without him the nine national volumes would not have been possible.

Condolences may be sent to Mrs. Marilyn Switlyk, 11 S. Deer Hill Rd., Lebanon, NJ 08833.

Gene

186. Re: Police Call's George Switlyk passes

Yahoo group: hamrailfans
Date: 2000-02-01 06:05:01 UTC
From: Neil McKie
Topic: 185 Message: 186

Harry Marnell wrote:

> From: "Harry Marnell" <marnells@...>
>
> I've just received this info from Gene Hughes, founder of the "Police Call" books:
>
> George Switlyk, co-founder and data editor for the nine national volumes of
> Police Call, died very suddenly this morning from a massive heart attack. He
> was my associate for 27 years, and without him the nine national volumes
> would not have been possible.
>
> Condolences may be sent to Mrs. Marilyn Switlyk, 11 S. Deer Hill Rd.,
> Lebanon, NJ 08833.
>
> Gene

Harry, I believe Gene Hughes is a pen name as I remember him from the sixties - was a salesman for a General Electric 2-way radio shop ... located in a suburb of Los Angeles.

Neil McKie WA6KLA
n.mckie@...

187. New Site on Yahoo(for Railfans)

Yahoo group: hamrailfans
Date: 2000-02-06 03:26:38 UTC
From: Mike A
Topic: 187 Message: 187

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If you are from the Delaware Valley this site is for you .
http://clubs.yahoo.com/clubs/delvalhamscanrailfans
Now the Ham & scanner railfans of the Del-Val have their owe site to
chat and exchange info.All are welcome .
Thinks
Mike N2ICV
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188. Newspaper Article of interest

Yahoo group: hamrailfans
Date: 2000-02-15 18:05:31 UTC
From: Wil Brubaker
Topic: 188 Message: 188

The Philadelphia Inquirer of Feb 15th, 2000, has an article about the waning use of Morse Code, suggesting hams are the only users of it any more. Front page of the "Magazine" section, section D, where also the comics reside.

Threes, Wil Brubaker

189. Fw: [onelist_moderators] Scheduled Maintenance

Yahoo group: hamrailfans
Date: 2000-02-17 17:28:29 UTC
From: David Epling
Topic: 53 Message: 189

----- Original Message ----- From: To: Sent: Wednesday, February 16, 2000 4:23 PM Subject: [onelist_moderators] Scheduled Maintenance > From: admin@onelist.com > > Dear ONElist Moderators > > The ONElist site will be off-line from 9am until 3pm Pacific Standard Time > on Saturday 19th February, 2000 for scheduled maintenance. > > We apologize for any inconvenience this may cause you or your subscribers. > Please notify your subscribers of this scheduled downtime. > > Mail will not be delivered during this time. Any mail posted to a list > during this time will be delivered after 3pm Pacific Standard Time on > Saturday 19th February, 2000. > > Thank you in advance for your patience. > > ---------- ONElist Sponsor ---------- > > GET A NEXTCARD VISA, in 30 seconds. Get rates as low as 0.0 percent > Intro or 9.9 percent Fixed APR and no hidden fees. Apply NOW. > Click Here (http://clickme.onelist.com/ad/NextcardCreative5CI) > > ---------- > >

190. Chat now - 9:00 pm Pacific

Yahoo group: hamrailfans
Date: 2000-02-22 05:03:17 UTC
From: Harry Marnell
Topic: 190 Message: 190

open chat for all "onelist" scannerers at http://www.onelist.com/chat/scannorcal

191. Re: Chat now - 9:00 pm Pacific

Yahoo group: hamrailfans
Date: 2000-02-22 05:25:39 UTC
From: Neil McKie
Topic: 190 Message: 191

Harry Marnell wrote:

> From: "Harry Marnell" <marnells@...>
>
> open chat for all "onelist" scannerers at http://www.onelist.com/chat/scannorcal

I clicked on the address above ... ... so where do I find the whatever you referred to above there?

Thank you,

Neil

192. CHAT is now available

Yahoo group: hamrailfans
Date: 2000-02-22 00:59:05 UTC
From: Harry Marnell
Topic: 192 Message: 192

From: "Harry Marnell" <marnells@...>

Looks like the onelist CHAT is up and running...if you have "java" enabled.

Just go to http://www.onelist.com/chat/hamrailfans

193. chat

Yahoo group: hamrailfans
Date: 2000-03-03 04:18:25 UTC
From: christopher Stubblefield
Topic: 193 Message: 193

Is the chat room working or is it case of too many trains and not enough time. I've been there around 8-9pm pst and the yard is always empty, actually the other groups, NP and SP&S are sparse as well

Chris KC7HTL

194. Re: chat

Yahoo group: hamrailfans
Date: 2000-03-03 09:26:48 UTC
From: Neil McKie
Topic: 194 Message: 194

christopher Stubblefield wrote:

> From: "christopher Stubblefield" <mainstreeter@...>
>
> Is the chat room working or is it case of too many trains and not
> enough time. I've been there around 8-9pm pst and the yard is always
> empty, actually the other groups, NP and SP&S are sparse as well

I don't know anything about chat rooms. The only time I tried to access one, no one was there ... I never went back.

> Chris KC7HTL

My last day for e-mail before Puyallup will this coming Sunday at about 9am.

Neil

195. Re: chat

Yahoo group: hamrailfans
Date: 2000-03-03 17:29:24 UTC
From: David Epling
Topic: 193 Message: 195

The Chat feature is a new thing that Onelist recently started, I don't think it has taken off as fast as it was intended, it would probably be faster to maybe set a time and then let everyone know in advance that you are going to be in there.

David Epling
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Central California Traction: http://members.xoom.com/tractionco
California Northern: http://members.xoom.com/calnorthern
Sacramento Modular Railroaders (HO) http://saccentral.railfan.net
International Railfair: http://www.internationalrailfair.com
----- Original Message -----
From: christopher Stubblefield <mainstreeter@...>
To: <hamrailfans@onelist.com>
Sent: Thursday, March 02, 2000 8:18 PM
Subject: [hamrailfans] chat

From: "christopher Stubblefield" <mainstreeter@...>

Is the chat room working or is it case of too many trains and not enough time. I've been there around 8-9pm pst and the yard is always empty, actually the other groups, NP and SP&S are sparse as well

Chris KC7HTL

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196. Fw: [onelist_moderators] Scheduled Maintenance

Yahoo group: hamrailfans
Date: 2000-03-22 03:11:07 UTC
From: David Epling
Topic: 53 Message: 196

From: admin@onelist.com

Dear ONElist Moderators,

The ONElist Web site will be offline for scheduled maintenance from 9 PM until 10 PM Pacific Standard Time on Tuesday, March 21, 2000. Any mail posted to a group during this time will not be processed until after 10 PM Pacific Standard Time.

We apologize for any inconvenience this may cause you or your subscribers. Please notify your subscribers of this scheduled downtime.

Thank you in advance for your patience.

The eGroups Team

197. Fw: Re: Long Distance handhelds

Yahoo group: hamrailfans
Date: 2000-03-28 20:12:20 UTC
From: Harry Marnell - HWMA
Topic: 197 Message: 197

Can someone please set this gentleman < ThomasFromOR@... > straight
about 2-meter ham radio?
It was part of a thread on another list...

harry

----- Original Message -----
From: "Thomas Billman" <ThomasFromOR@...>
Sent: Monday, March 27, 2000 18:09
Subject: Long Distance handhelds

> you do not need a licence to transmit on 2 meter ham as of 1998
>
>

Looking for a frequency or other scanning sites? Try Stupid Scanner Links:
http://www.stupidscannertricks.com/ssl
Subscription problems? Visit:
http://www.egroups.com/group/stupidscannertricks/info.html

198. DISREGARD

Yahoo group: hamrailfans
Date: 2000-03-28 20:18:38 UTC
From: Harry Marnell - HWMA
Topic: 198 Message: 198

Nevermind...he found the error of his ways...

harry

----- Original Message -----
From: "Harry Marnell - HWMA" <marnells@...>
Sent: Tuesday, March 28, 2000 12:12
Subject: Fw: Re: Long Distance handhelds

> Can someone please set this gentleman < ThomasFromOR@... > straight
> about 2-meter ham radio?
> It was part of a thread on another list...
>
> harry
>
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> >
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> ---
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> Subscription problems? Visit:
> http://www.egroups.com/group/stupidscannertricks/info.html
>
>
>
>

199. BNSF maintenance activities on the Oregon Trunk?

Yahoo group: hamrailfans
Date: 2000-03-29 04:26:52 UTC
From: Neil McKie
Topic: 199 Message: 199

Does anyone here have any update info on what the BNSF is doing with the Oregon Trunk in the vicinity of Bend.

Yesterday and today, I saw several M-O-W vehicles at Deschutes Junction. Didn't see where they came from ... or where they went - as they were parked.

Thank you

Thank you,

Neil McKie WA6KLA in between Bend and Redmond Oregon.

200. two meter radio

Yahoo group: hamrailfans
Date: 2000-03-29 12:32:22 UTC
From: Rick Nelson
Topic: 200 Message: 200

For the record, you MUST HAVE A LICENSE to transmit on 2 meter radio.

It is much easier,though, than it used to be. NO CODE TEST. Just answer 55 questions and get on the air.

Rick Nelson W8PRR

Luke 4:4

201. Re: [hamrailfans] two meter radio

Yahoo group: hamrailfans
Date: 2000-03-29 15:17:30 UTC
From: Neil McKie
Topic: 201 Message: 201

Rick Nelson wrote:

> From: Rick Nelson <rcnelson@...>
>
> For the record, you MUST HAVE A LICENSE to transmit on 2 meter radio.
>
> It is much easier,though, than it used to be. NO CODE TEST. Just answer
> 55 questions and get on the air.

Actually, it's a test that usually must be studied for. Some people can
take the test without study, but they're in the minority.

> Rick Nelson W8PRR
>
> Luke 4:4

Who is Luke?

Neil McKie WA6KLA
n.mckie@...

202. Re: [hamrailfans] two meter radio

Yahoo group: hamrailfans
Date: 2000-03-31 11:51:52 UTC
From: Bob Burns N9KRS
Topic: 200 Message: 202

At 2000-03-29 07:32 AM, you wrote:

>It is much easier,though, than it used to be. NO CODE TEST. Just answer
>55 questions and get on the air.

And after April 15th, it will be a 35-question test for the Technician license.

As for studying, when I took the test in 1991, I read through the study guide (known then as "Tune In the World with Ham Radio", but now titled "Now You're Talking" and available at most Radio Shack stores) and then answered every question in the question pool (over 500 questions) as if I was taking one huge test. For each question that I answered incorrectly, I went back to the study guide and tried to reinforce my understanding of the material.

Some folks may be able to simply memorize the questions and answers. My brain doesn't work that way.

Bob...

203. (ADMIN Note) List address change

Yahoo group: hamrailfans
Date: 2000-04-04 23:07:52 UTC
From: David Epling
Topic: 203 Message: 203

Hi all, most of you are probably aware that with the merger of ONElist into egroups.com, our List address is changing accordingly. I administer three lists, these lists will change from (listname@onelist.com to (listname)@egroups.com. The first part of the group name, before the "@", will remain the same.

For example:
Old.....New

calrailfans@onelist.com is now calrailfans@egroups.com

sacnorthern@onelist.com is now sacnorthern@egroups.com

hamrailfans@onelist.com is now hamrailfans@egroups.com

For now the Onelist addresses still work, but you should change your address books to the new address.

David Epling
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California Northern: http://members.xoom.com/calnorthern
Regional & Shortline Directory: http://members.xoom.com/rslr
Sacramento Modular Railroaders: http://saccentral.railfan.net
International Railfair: http://www.internationalrailfair.com

204. News on the job front

Yahoo group: hamrailfans
Date: 2000-04-05 00:22:33 UTC
From: Smokey Behr
Topic: 204 Message: 204

I've posted this to the Calrailfans@egroups.com list before, so I need to fill everyone in on what's going on.

I sent my resume into BNSF for one of their Signalman Apprentice positions about 3 weeks ago.

Last week, I got a call that they would be testing, and I was invited to attend. On monday, I drove out to San Bernardino and spent half the day taking a battery of written tests. There were 4 - Mechanical Aptitude, Following Oral Instructions, Safety Attitude, and Overall Work Habits and Attitude. It took about 3 hours for all 4 tests, and about 48 hours to process them. I should know tomorrow or thursday whether I have an interview on monday.

I'll keep everyone updated as best as I can.

205. Egroups Service Announcement -Admin Note

Yahoo group: hamrailfans
Date: 2000-04-06 07:02:18 UTC
From: David Epling
Topic: 205 Message: 205

From the Egroups Website:

Service Announcement
Updated April 3, 8:35 PM PST

Dear ONElist/eGroups Members,

As we continue with the re-launch of the integrated eGroups/ONElist services, we've encountered some issues we'd like to bring to your attention. If you are encountering any of the following problems, please do not contact Customer Support. We are working on these problems and will update you as we make progress. Please check back on this page for updates. If you are encountering a problem not listed here, feel free to contact our Customer Support team. Thank you in advance for your patience with us as we complete this project.

The eGroups Team Note: All of the following conditions are temporary and we are currently fixing them. This message is purely an advisory notice to you - there is no need for you to do anything.

Issue: eGroups Users Group categorization.

Status: Many groups from the old eGroups service currently appear to be uncategorized. This is a temporary problem occurring while categorization data is being migrated from the old service. There is no need to re-categorize your group, as within the week your categorization should reappear. If you care to expedite the process by re-categorizing your group yourself now, you may do so.

Known problem: New-user registration and subscriptions.

Some eGroup registrations and group subscriptions have not yet been processed, especially those which occurred between Thursday 3/30 - Friday 3/31.

Known problem: Log-in

If you changed your account email address between Thursday 3/30 - Friday 3/31, you may notice that your account is temporarily unavailable.

Known problem: Member profiles

Users of the old eGroups service will notice that public profiles are currently not viewable by other members of their group.

Known problem: Messages

Some pending messages on the old eGroups service are reappearing on the new service. Please delete these rather than re-send them. In addition, some recent pending messages are still being migrated from the old service and will appear soon.

Known problem: Groups

Some groups have not yet migrated from the old service. If you are confident that you moderated / belonged to active groups prior to 3/30 which are not currently showing up, this is why. They will reappear soon.

Known problem: Calendar

Calendar events prior to 3/30 have not yet migrated. They will reappear soon.

Known problem: Links

Links for some groups are missing. If you have posted links in this section previously and they are now not showing up, please rest assured that they will reappear again soon.

Known problem: Files

Files (shared files) for some groups are missing. If your group is missing files, please be patient until they are transferred to the new service.

That is all from Egroups, some of it is Admin info, but I figured if I posted it here, then everyone would know if they are having a problem, this is why

David Epling
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206. Fw: Centralia North/South dispatcher territory change.

Yahoo group: hamrailfans
Date: 2000-04-10 15:17:08 UTC
From: Chris Stubblefield
Topic: 206 Message: 206

--------- Forwarded message ----------
From: Admanson@...
To: undisclosed-recipients:;
Date: Sun, 9 Apr 2000 21:21:48 EDT
Subject: Centralia North/South dispatcher territory change.
Message-ID: <c8.367c71d.262286ac@...>

The following BNSF "Track Bulletin Form C" has been issued since April 1:

At 0500 PDR April 3, 2000, please be advised that Centralia South
Dispatcher
territory will be from Vancouver Jct. North to and including the plant at

Nisqually. (161.100)

Centralia North Dispatcher territory will be from North Nisqually
to Tukwila. (161.415)

Allan Manson

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207. UPRR Cabooses for sale

Yahoo group: hamrailfans
Date: 2000-04-11 01:45:04 UTC
From: Smokey Behr
Topic: 207 Message: 207

If you ever wanted to buy a caboose, here's your chance:

http://www.uprr.com/uprr/business/forsale/buscars/cabooses.shtml

208. Re: [hamrailfans] UPRR Cabooses for sale

Yahoo group: hamrailfans
Date: 2000-04-11 06:33:46 UTC
From: Chris Stubblefield
Topic: 208 Message: 208

On Mon, 10 Apr 2000 18:45:04 -0700 Smokey Behr <smokeybehr@...>
writes:
> If you ever wanted to buy a caboose, here's your chance:

Only if the "firecracker" antenna comes with it.

Chris Stubblefield KC7HTL 446.000 simplex
Rochester, WA Pager 360-740-5039

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209. Fwd: AMTRAK East of Chicago

Yahoo group: hamrailfans
Date: 2000-05-08 22:34:33 UTC
From: Phil Kane
Topic: 209 Message: 209

I am planning a AM-trip between Chicago to NY (NYP) on both the Lake Shore Limited (Train 48) and the Three Rivers (Train 41).

I would appreciate knowing the names of the railroads on whose rails those Amtrak trains run, the road channels (AAR channel numbers are OK) in use, and where the road channel switching points are.

If anyone has the same info for the Texas Eagle (Train 21) from Chicago to San Antonio, TX and the Empire Builder (Train 28) from Spokane, WA to Chicago I would also be grateful.

In return I can provide that sort of information for trains west of the Rockies.

==> Watch the Doors <==

73 de Phil Kane - K2ASP

From a Clearing in the Silicon Forest
Beaverton (Washington County), Oregon

Railroad Radio Communication Engineer
Retired and Loving Every Minute of It
Work was getting in the way of my life

210. Re: [hamrailfans] Fwd: AMTRAK East of Chicago

Yahoo group: hamrailfans
Date: 2000-05-09 05:23:08 UTC
From: Chris Stubblefield
Topic: 210 Message: 210

Phil, I have the Empire Builder info from Spokane to Fargo ND

Spokane to Sandpoint ID #76 (161.250) "BNSF Boyer West"

Sandpoint to Whitefish MT. #54 (160.920) "BNSF Boyer East"

Whitefish to Havre MT #76 (161.250) BNSF "Havre West" .
In the nearly 7 mile long Flathead tunnel (some 50 miles west of
Whitefish All trains (engineer and conductor must turn their radios to a
AAR split of 20/54 to ensure a "complete link between engineer, conductor
and Dispatcher" BNSF Washington Div. timetable.

I'll send the rest across Montana and North Dakota later when I find
them.
Chris Stubblefield KC7HTL 446.000 simplex
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211. Re: [hamrailfans] Fwd: AMTRAK East of Chicago

Yahoo group: hamrailfans
Date: 2000-05-09 13:43:26 UTC
From: Smokey Behr
Topic: 210 Message: 211

On Mon, 8 May 2000 22:23:08 -0700, Chris Stubblefield
<mainstreeter@...m> wrote:

>Phil, I have the Empire Builder info from Spokane to Fargo ND
>
>Spokane to Sandpoint ID #76 (161.250) "BNSF Boyer West"
>
>Sandpoint to Whitefish MT. #54 (160.920) "BNSF Boyer East"
>
>Whitefish to Havre MT #76 (161.250) BNSF "Havre West" .
>In the nearly 7 mile long Flathead tunnel (some 50 miles west of
>Whitefish All trains (engineer and conductor must turn their radios to a
>AAR split of 20/54 to ensure a "complete link between engineer, conductor
>and Dispatcher" BNSF Washington Div. timetable.
>
> I'll send the rest across Montana and North Dakota later when I find
>them.
>Chris Stubblefield KC7HTL 446.000 simplex
>Rochester, WA Pager 360-740-5039

Sounds like they use a dedicated repeater for radio access in that
tunnel. They probably have a "leaky coax" line run the length, or
antennas every few thousand feet to make sure there's full coverage.

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Smokey Behr
http://smokeybehr.tripod.com/smokeysig.htm
"Only you can prevent flame wars"
When guns are outlawed, a rapist will never hear "Stop, or I'll shoot"
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212. Re: Two Sacto area railroad shows in June??

Yahoo group: hamrailfans
Date: 2000-05-13 17:06:30 UTC
From: Gerald Kindsfather - Humboldt Waste Mgmt
Topic: 212 Message: 212

Anyone have info or URLs for these TWO shows??? (And don't forget to mark Nov 11-12, 2000 for International Railfair (www.internationalrailfair.com) in Roseville CA

Harry
reply to my marnells@... adress

From: "Seth Bramson" <mbramson@...>
To: <Calrailfans@egroups.com>
Sent: Saturday, May 13, 2000 07:27
Subject: Re: [Calrailfans] Western Railroader, December 1949 - "Nevada County Traction Company"

> Didn't know about the one on the 6th. The one I "do" every year is the one that Roy Gabriel and Brad Lomazzi
> sponsor @ the Scottish Rite Temple, this year on Sunday 25 June. I will certainly look forward to seeing all of
> you there. I am usually set up in the lobby--can't miss me as I am first booth you come to. Have only northern
> CAL stuff at this show (NWP/SP/CW/YV/Bay area and Sac area tractions, etc.) so hope to have the opportunity to meet
> many of you. I'll post the list w/exact time, and other info. THIS IS A WONDERFUL OPPORTUNITY FOR YOU TO BRING ME
> ALL THE STUFF THAT IS NOT GERMANE TO YOUR COLLECTIONS AND LET ME TURN IT ALL INTO CASH!
>
> Grant Kern wrote:
>
> > Seth-
> >
> > Which show are you coming out for in June? The one on the 6th or the 25th
> > at Sacramento?
> >
> > Grant Kern
> > gwkern@...

213. Re: [hamrailfans] Fwd: AMTRAK East of Chicago

Yahoo group: hamrailfans
Date: 2000-05-21 05:49:12 UTC
From: Chris Stubblefield
Topic: 210 Message: 213

Continuation of home freqs for Amtrak west of Chicago:

Havre East to Pacific Jct # 76 (161.250)

Havre to Bainville MT #66 (161.100)

Bainville MT to Minot ND #54 (160.920) "Minot West)

Minot to Fargo ND #66 (161.100)

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214. Trespasser struck and killed on Metrolink tracks

Yahoo group: hamrailfans
Date: 2000-05-24 04:58:21 UTC
From: Smokey Behr
Topic: 214 Message: 214

http://www.channel2000.com/news/stories/news-20000524-020954.html

12-Year-Old Girl Struck, Killed By Train

Reportedly Crossing Across Tracks With Her Sisters

SANTA ANA, Calif., Updated 8:58 p.m. PDT May 23, 2000 -- A 12-year-old girl who reportedly was racing her sister and another child across train tracks Tuesday afternoon was struck by a train and killed.

A 12-year-old girl, her 20-year-old sister and her sister's 3-year-old daughter attempted to cross directly in front of the train north of McFadden Avenue at about 5:30 p.m., CBS 2 News reported. The 12-year-old girl apparently tripped and fell on the tracks when the northbound Metrolink train hit her.

"The 20-year-old was holding the hand of a three-year-old and a 12-year-old sister was directly behind them," Santa Ana police Sgt. Raul Luna told CBS 2 News. "They made it across one set of tracks, and prior to getting across the second, the 12-year-old continued to cross and the other two stopped. And unfortunately, the Metrolink collided with the child, dragging her about 100 yards and fatally injuring her."

The train was traveling approximately 70 to 80 mph before it was able to stop near Lyon Street.

"The northbound train was going fast enough to where it took that long for the train to stop, approximately a half mile in between from where the train stopped and where the girl is lying on the track," CBS 2 chopper pilot Aaron Fitzgerald said.

No injuries were reported aboard the train. Authorities taped off several hundred yards of the area to investigate the scene.

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Author's note

The stretch of tracks on which this child was killed had fences on both sides of the right-of-way, and gated grade crossings at either end.

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215. Amtrak train stalled

Yahoo group: hamrailfans
Date: 2000-06-15 04:38:24 UTC
From: Smokey Behr
Topic: 215 Message: 215

I'm listening to the scanner, and I believe that one of the Amtraks is having a little power trouble. I'm not sure if it's in Ventura or Oxnard station, but it's here along the coast route. I heard one of the dispatchers discussing getting busses to transport passengers in case they can't get the train going again.

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Smokey Behr
http://socalfire.tripod.com - Your home for the latest information on wildfires in Southern California and the U.S.

216. Re: [Calrailfans] Amtrak train stalled

Yahoo group: hamrailfans
Date: 2000-06-15 05:01:54 UTC
From: Smokey Behr
Topic: 215 Message: 216

On Wed, 14 Jun 2000 21:38:24 -0700, Smokey Behr <gothbehr@...>
wrote:

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>having a little power trouble. I'm not sure if it's in Ventura or
>Oxnard station, but it's here along the coast route. I heard one of
>the dispatchers discussing getting busses to transport passengers in
>case they can't get the train going again.

Looks like it's more than a power problem. Looks like a possible
derail, since the dispatcher was discussing a train that was "belly
up" as well as MOW, Mechanical, and relief Engineering crews being
called and enroute, but not at the site.

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217. Fw: Yreka Western "Blue Goose" is back

Yahoo group: hamrailfans
Date: 2000-06-18 17:15:30 UTC
From: Harry Marnell
Topic: 217 Message: 217

This is a really delightful steam train ride thru rural countryside to the LITTLE town of Montague, whose one block of merchants open their doors to you. If you have audio-recording capabilities, the sounds of the steam loco are great.

Harry

----- Original Message -----
From: "Paul S. Highland" <paul-kim@...>
Sent: Sunday, June 18, 2000 07:35
Subject: [Calrailfans] Yreka Western

> Yreka Western's Blue Goose steam excursion train resumed operation over the
> entire railroad today. Pictured is the first steam train into Montague, CA
> since 1998. <http://www.alpharail.simplenet.com/YW19-1A.JPG>
>
> This train will run Wednesday thru Sunday for the rest of the
> summer. For schedules and fares, check out the YWRR web site at:
> http://www.yrekawesternrr.com/schedule.htm
>
> Larry (Trax) via Trainorders.com

Only radio frequency I have for the is an old one of 161.07. Anyone have an update?

Area ham repeaters are 146.82 & 146.79...linked, I believe.

Also see
http://www.yrekachamber.com/railroad.html

Here's from

Yreka Western Railroad - YW
Route:
Montague - Yreka, CA (8.9 miles)
Headquarters:
Yreka, CA
Junctions with other railroads:
CORP: Montague, CA
Radio frequencies:
161.070
History:
Line opened by Yreka Railroad in 1889.
Assets transferred to the Yreka Western Railroad on April 18, 1935.
On January 14, 1999 YW filed to abandon the entire line.
STB approved abandonment on May 4, 1999.

Timber Products Co. filed an offer of financial assistance on May 11, 1999.
Railroad purchased by Rocky Mountain Railway and Mining Museum (Colorado Central) in January 2000.
Ownership:
Rocky Mountain Railway and Mining Museum
Roster:
Unit Bldr. Model B/D B/N F/N History Acq. Ret. Notes
20 EMD SW8 1953 17335 ? ? ? - in service
21 EMD SW8 1953 17337 ? ? ? - in service
100 Budd RDC-1 1954 ? nee SP 10 1971 ? to OPE 10, 1971; to Moody Foundation, 1978
602 EMD SW8 1952 17230 ? ? ? ? to OPE 602; to EPTC 802; to Oregon Pacific Railroad 803

Explanations:

B/D - Builder's Date
B/N - Builder's Number
F/N - Frame Number
Acq.- Year unit acquired
Ret. - Year unit retired

218. Re: Sierra Railroad "Gold Sunset" Dinner Train

Yahoo group: hamrailfans
Date: 2000-07-04 16:31:48 UTC
From: Harry Marnell
Topic: 218 Message: 218

According to their website at www.sierrarailroad.com :

Friday - On Friday evening aboard the Dinner Train, enjoy dancing and on special nights, live entertainment.
$69 plus tax & gratuity

Saturday - Saturday evening departure for an exquisite meal, along with a stroll to the Lounge Car for dancing.
$69 plus tax & gratuity

Sunday - Sunday Brunch. A pleasant daylight ride through the Sierra foothills.
$59 plus tax & gratuity

Harry
http://www.snowcrest.net/marnells/airrail.htm <~<~ See California Rails from ABOVE the Air

PS: (Obligatory Radio content): Latest FCC list shows Sierra railroad licensed on 160.755 and 161.49, in the new generic "IG" industrial freqs pool. They used to have 160.59 and, I believe 452.90...unknown if those freqs are good. Anyone??

----- Original Message -----
From: "Dave Boyer" <dgboyer@...>
To: "Mike Pechner" <weather@...>
Cc: <tbenson@...>; <flimsieswest@...>; <info@...>; <foamers@...>; <sera@...>; <dingles@...>
Sent: Tuesday, July 04, 2000 08:20
Subject: Re: Review of Sierra Railroads Dinner Train

And for all that good food and ambiance the price is??

Mike Pechner wrote:

> I rode the Sierra Railroad "Gold Sunset" Dinner Train from Oakdale to
> Copperstown Saturday night and found it to be an extremely pleasent way
> to spend 3 hours while eating dinner and viewing the now golden hills of
> Californias Mother Lode.

219. Re:FW: CHP (42.60)? AND 39 MHz freqs

Yahoo group: hamrailfans
Date: 2000-07-05 16:06:55 UTC
From: Harry Marnell
Topic: 219 Message: 219

42.60 IS a CHP frequency, as "Copper" and "Turquoise" base half. For Northern Calif, I show Solano (Office #22) as using Turquoise.

If you go to the SCANnorCAL "Files" page at http://www.egroups.com/files/scannorcal , you'll find a somewhat dated but fairly accurate listing of all CHP freqs.

Which leads me to: If anyone has a more up-to-date CHP list to add to either the "Files" or "Links" section, please help yourself. The above page will step you through it, and I BELIEVE it's available to all "egroups" subscribers, even if you don't subscribe to SCANnorCAL specifically.

Harry
http://www.snowcrest.net/marnells <~~Scanning, cop stuff, trains, etc

----- Original Message -----
From: "Fletcher, Robert L SPK" <rfletcher@...>
To: "'BAYSCAN'" <bayscan@onelist.com>; "'HAM-RAIL-FAN'" <hamrailfans@onelist.com>; "'Jake Hickok'" <jmhickok@...>; "'Norcalhams'" <norcalhams@onelist.com>; "'SOCALSCAN'" <socalscan@onelist.com>; "'SCAN norCAL'" <SCANnorCAL@egroups.com>
Sent: Wednesday, July 05, 2000 08:43
Subject: [SCANnorCAL] FW: CHP ?

Sorry for the cross posting, but I am looking for answers as fast as I can get. Thanks Bob

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-----Original Message-----
From: Fletcher, Robert L SPK
Sent: Wednesday, July 05, 2000 7:10 AM
To: 'Harry Marnell'
Subject: CHP ?

Harry, Good morning to you and all the listers;
I started doing a limit search of the 42.000-42.999 freqs on the CHP and I kept getting 42.600. I cannot find it in the CHP listing, yet it shows up in the latest Police Call book from RS, it shows that freq. from Woodland as being under the police usage. Is it in fact CHP or a local police freq.? I wonder who may know what it is. It DOES NOT show up in the 1993 ed. of

the NATIONAL HIGHWAY PATROL FREQUENCY HANDBOOK by Scanner Master Corp, 2nd printing. What do you know about this freq.?

Also, are there any 39.??? freqs. for the CHP that you know of? I thought I saw something about the new freqs. some time ago. Can you clear that up? Thanks in advance, Bob

BOB FLETCHER

220. Yreka Western "Blue Goose" Depot Burglarized

Yahoo group: hamrailfans
Date: 2000-07-05 16:09:27 UTC
From: Harry Marnell
Topic: 220 Message: 220

From: http://www.siskiyoudaily.com/display/inn_news/news1.txt

Yreka Western Railroad target of theft, vandalism

YREKA - The Yreka Western Railroad (YWR) depot was broken into Sunday night, resulting in extensive damage to the inside of the facility and all the money the Blue Goose Excursion Train made over the weekend stolen.

According to Troy Hubbard, president of the YWR, the break-in occurred sometime between 6 and 8 p.m. Sunday, during a period of time when the railroad staff was not there. Hubbard said the break-in was discovered when he returned at 9 p.m. to turn on the alarm.

Not only did the suspect know where to find the money, he also seemed to show animosity toward the company. Hubbard found desks overturned, gift items thrown on the floor, a large hole punched through one of the walls, and an antique victrola damaged with a hammer.

"Why do something like that?" Hubbard asked. "It doesn't make sense."

The suspect also took two fire hydrants and sprayed the inside of the depot, covering the floor, furniture, and important documents with a white, powdery substance.

"We have documents dating all the way back to the beginning of the railroad and they all have to be cleaned now," Hubbard explained.

The fire retardant from the extinguisher did make it easier for police to recover foot prints from the suspect, however. Several boot prints were discovered leading to the soda vending machine, which the suspect also emptied using a key from the office.

In addition to the stolen cash, the suspect also took all the scanners in the office, several 35 millimeter cameras, the donation boxes, a few of the trains from the model train set, and perhaps more.

"We'll know more once we take an inventory," Hubbard said.

According to the Yreka Police Department, there are a few leads currently under investigation.

Hubbard estimated that the combined loss is somewhere between $15,000 and $20,000 in recovery fees.

"Losing the two-day receipts is really going to hurt us," Hubbard said, adding that contributions to cover the losses would be greatly appreciated.

Those who wish to donate to help the Yreka Western Railroad recover its losses can do so at the Siskiyou Daily News box number 45, P.O. box 129, Yreka, CA 96097.

According to Hubbard, there was no damage to any of the trains, and the Blue Goose will continue as scheduled.

- Harry Marnell
http://www.snowcrest.net/marnells/airrail.htm <~<~ California Rail sites (operating AND abandoned) from the Air

PS: Scanner Freq for Yreka Western should be 161.07

221. Admin note

Yahoo group: hamrailfans
Date: 2000-07-06 17:53:51 UTC
From: David W. Epling
Topic: 221 Message: 221

Ok all...I'm not sure how this is gonna work out, I have some reservations regarding yahoo, and that is yahoo's apparent policy of owning anything displayed on their pages (it is in their fine print), I removed my wife's Website off of Geocities specifically for that reason. as such my concern is for the images that are in the shared files area. maybe nothing will happen..we shall see:

Dear eGroups Moderator:

eGroups is very pleased to announce that we are joining the Yahoo! family of services! To learn more about the announcement, you can read the press release at http://biz.yahoo.com/bw/000628/ca_yahoo.html

As a group moderator, you can assure your group members that eGroups and Yahoo! will continue to provide the same level of service and commitment that you have come to expect from both companies. We are very excited about extending the opportunities and new offerings that will emerge from this relationship to you and your group. We're just beginning to explore the possibilities and new features that we'll be able to offer as a combined company. As we go through this process, we pledge to solicit your feedback on any proposed changes and keep you up-to-date on any changes to the eGroups service.

We are committed to sharing accurate and timely information with you about the service and the merger as it becomes available, but at this time, we don't have any specific details beyond what's included in the press release. We will keep you posted, but in the meantime, please continue to use the service as normal.

Thank you,

The folks at eGroups and Yahoo! Customer Care

David Epling
Central California Rails: http://cencalrails.railfan.net
Hoghead Hats: http://members.xoom.com/hogheadhats
International Railfair: http://www.internationalrailfair.com

222. Re: [hamrailfans] Digest Number 116

Yahoo group: hamrailfans
Date: 2000-07-07 16:14:48 UTC
From: Robert Franz Quillin
Topic: 222 Message: 222

David, yahoo's policies in this regard basically have to do with covering their legal behinds with regard to copyright law.
If they don't have the rights to the content, they can not legally display it [that is distribute it over the web].

They would rather legally display stuff than illegally display stuff. Billion dollar corporations think like that.

Let us hope any changes are minimal and not annoying.

franz@...

223. RE: Hamrailfans

Yahoo group: hamrailfans
Date: 2000-07-07 19:50:52 UTC
From: Fletcher, Robert L SPK
Topic: 223 Message: 223

Dave, Is the onelist address still good?

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-----Original Message-----
From: David W. Epling [mailto:ccrails@...]
Sent: Friday, July 07, 2000 12:43 PM
To: Fletcher, Robert L SPK
Subject: Re: Hamrailfans

hamrailfans@egroups.com is the post address, The guy who answered our call to co-moderate is no longer on the list, he gave up his duties and the list sometime late last year.

Amtrak goes on the BNSF at the Stockton Tower. the only passenger trains that pass through the "closed" SP yard is ACE

David Epling
Central California Rails: http://cencalrails.railfan.net
Hoghead Hats: http://members.xoom.com/hogheadhats
International Railfair: http://www.internationalrailfair.com

224. Re: [hamrailfans] Digest Number 116

Yahoo group: hamrailfans
Date: 2000-07-07 20:25:08 UTC
From: David W. Epling
Topic: 222 Message: 224

you are probably right...I just think maybe they could have worded it in a less threatening manner

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225. Re: Yreka Western Depot Burglary

Yahoo group: hamrailfans
Date: 2000-07-10 16:05:46 UTC
From: Harry Marnell
Topic: 225 Message: 225

I took the opportunity/excuse to check out the Blue Goose train and the Yreka Depot Saturday (7/8), after last weekend's burglary.

The train is running (Weds-Sunday) as usual, with 2-8-2 #19, and the building looks ship-shape. What damage that was done has been taken care of...except for the money loss.

The person(s) responsible got into the model railroad display area and sprayed a fire extinguisher around, leaving powder residue all over, but it was cleaned up with no apparent permanent harm to the layout....trains were running just fine.

I also spoke to a YWRR crewman, who said that the railroad - feared dead just a year ago - is getting back on its feet with morale and enthusiasm (obviously) very high. They think they can make a go of it. There's been little publicity to the fact that the YWRR has been taken over by the Rocky Mountain Railway and Mining Museum.

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Harry Marnell
http://www.snowcrest.net/marnells/train.htm <<~~ Trains, trolleys, etc
http://www.snowcrest.net/marnells/airrail.htm <<~~ Calif Rail sites as seen by Satellite

226. RE: [hamrailfans] Re: Yreka Western Depot Burglary

Yahoo group: hamrailfans
Date: 2000-07-10 16:20:53 UTC
From: Fletcher, Robert L SPK
Topic: 226 Message: 226

Harry , what is the back ground of the new company, "Rocky Mountain Railway and Mining Museum"? Are they strictly like CSRM, or are they a commercial RR also? Bob

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-----Original Message-----
From: Harry Marnell [mailto:marnells@...]
Sent: Monday, July 10, 2000 9:06 AM
To: Calrailfans@egroups.com; hamrailfans@egroups.com; foamers@...; railroad@...
Subject: [hamrailfans] Re: Yreka Western Depot Burglary

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227. Re: Yreka Western ownership

Yahoo group: hamrailfans
Date: 2000-07-10 16:41:26 UTC
From: Harry Marnell
Topic: 227 Message: 227

I'll have to look into it, Robert...but here's a bit from the Surface Transportation Board's "Finance Docket" that shold shed a little (bureaucratic) light on it. Perhaps someone out there can help??

Harry

\1\ Court Hammond and James Sanders are the controlling shareholders, officers and directors of Colorado Central Railroad Company, Yreka Western Railroad Company, Rocky Mountain Railway and Mining Museum, and Colorado, Kansas & Pacific Railway Company.
\2\ RMRMM is a noncarrier holding company which controls 100% of the stock of YWRR but does not itself provide any common carrier rail freight service.

CCRC is a new short line railroad that will become a Class III rail carrier when it consummates the authority granted to it in Colorado Central Railroad Company--Operation Exemption--Yreka Western Railroad Company, STB Finance Docket No. 33849 (STB served Feb. 23, 2000).\3\ CKPR will become a Class III rail carrier upon consummation of the transaction covered by the simultaneously filed notice of exemption in STB Finance Docket No. 33857, Colorado, Kansas & Pacific Railway Company--Lease, Operation, and Future Purchase Exemption--Colorado Department of Transporation, wherein CKPR will lease and initiate common carrier operations over an abandoned line of railroad.

\3\ The Hammond Group reports that it intended for CCRC to commence providing common carrier service over YWRR's line on or about March 27, 2000. YWRR will continue to own the line, to have a residual common carrier obligation on the line, and to provide excursion rail passenger service.

----- Original Message -----
From: "Fletcher, Robert L SPK" <rfletcher@...>
To: <hamrailfans@egroups.com>; <Calrailfans@egroups.com>; <foamers@...>; <railroad@...>
Sent: Monday, July 10, 2000 09:20
Subject: [Calrailfans] RE: [hamrailfans] Re: Yreka Western Depot Burglary

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>
> Don't forget to mark Nov 11-12, 2000 for International Railfair
(www.internationalrailfair.com) in Roseville CA
>

228. RE: [hamrailfans] Re: Yreka Western ownership and Skunk RR.

Yahoo group: hamrailfans
Date: 2000-07-10 16:47:36 UTC
From: Fletcher, Robert L SPK
Topic: 228 Message: 228

This information on the companies involved will shed a lot of light for many rail fans. Along the same line, It is my understanding a RR in Colorado is thinking of taking control of the good old "skunk" in Ft. Bragge, Ca., The California Western RR, that meets with the soon to be running NWP in Willits, Ca. Because there was no outlet for Cal. West. RR, they could not ship any wood from the Georgia Pacific Mills in Ft. Bragge. I don't know the name of the company looking into Cal. West. RR. But our share holders sure would like to know. Harry, Thanks for your info, Bob

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-----Original Message-----
From: Harry Marnell [mailto:marnells@...]
Sent: Monday, July 10, 2000 9:41 AM
To: Calrailfans@egroups.com; hamrailfans@egroups.com; foamers@...; railroad@...
Subject: [hamrailfans] Re: Yreka Western ownership

I'll have to look into it, Robert...but here's a bit from the Surface Transportation Board's "Finance Docket" that shold shed a little (bureaucratic) light on it. Perhaps someone out there can help??

Harry

\1\ Court Hammond and James Sanders are the controlling shareholders, officers and directors of Colorado Central Railroad Company, Yreka Western Railroad Company, Rocky Mountain Railway and Mining Museum, and Colorado, Kansas & Pacific Railway Company.
\2\ RMRMM is a noncarrier holding company which controls 100% of the stock of YWRR but does not itself provide any common carrier rail freight service.

CCRC is a new short line railroad that will become a Class III rail carrier when it consummates the authority granted to it in Colorado Central Railroad Company--Operation Exemption--Yreka Western Railroad Company, STB Finance Docket No. 33849 (STB served Feb. 23, 2000).\3\ CKPR will become a Class III rail carrier upon consummation of the transaction covered by the simultaneously filed notice of exemption in STB Finance Docket No. 33857, Colorado, Kansas & Pacific Railway

Company--Lease, Operation, and Future Purchase Exemption--Colorado
Department of Transporation, wherein CKPR will lease and initiate
common carrier operations over an abandoned line of railroad.

\3\ The Hammond Group reports that it intended for CCRC to
commence providing common carrier service over YWRR's line on or
about March 27, 2000. YWRR will continue to own the line, to have a
residual common carrier obligation on the line, and to provide
excursion rail passenger service.

----- Original Message -----
From: "Fletcher, Robert L SPK" <rfletcher@...>
To: <hamrailfans@egroups.com>; <Calrailfans@egroups.com>;
<foamers@...>; <railroad@...>
Sent: Monday, July 10, 2000 09:20
Subject: [Calrailfans] RE: [hamrailfans] Re: Yreka Western Depot Burglary

> Harry , what is the back ground of the new company, "Rocky Mountain
Railway
> and Mining Museum"? Are they strictly like CSRM, or are they a commercial
> RR also? Bob
>
> BOB FLETCHER
> Drafting-Archives Unit
> US ARMY CORPS of ENGINEERS
> 1325 "J" Street,
> Sacramento, Ca.,
> 95814-2922
> rfletcher@...
>
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> -----Original Message-----
> From: Harry Marnell [mailto:marnells@...]
> Sent: Monday, July 10, 2000 9:06 AM
> To: Calrailfans@egroups.com; hamrailfans@egroups.com; foamers@...;
> railroad@...
> Subject: [hamrailfans] Re: Yreka Western Depot Burglary
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>
> I also spoke to a YWRR crewman, who said that the railroad - feared dead
> just a year ago - is getting back on its feet with morale and enthusiasm
> (obviously) very high. They think they can make a go of it. There's
been
> little publicity to the fact that the YWRR has been taken over by the
Rocky
> Mountain Railway and Mining Museum.
> Harry Marnell
> http://www.snowcrest.net/marnells/train.htm <<~~ Trains, trolleys, etc
> http://www.snowcrest.net/marnells/airrail.htm <<~~ Calif Rail sites as

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229. Amtrak Thruway Buses

Yahoo group: hamrailfans
Date: 2000-07-11 20:05:53 UTC
From: Harry Marnell
Topic: 229 Message: 229

It's hard to imagine there's a lot of interest, but I've posted a list - by route - of the Amtrak Thruway bus operating companies at my page http://www.snowcrest.net/marnells/thruway.htm OTOH, at the bottom of the page are some links that my take you to even more fascinating stuff.

And radio fans, anybody care to look up radio frequencies for these outfits? I know some of them have company radios.

--
Harry
http://www.snowcrest.net/marnells/

230. You're a real railfan if...

Yahoo group: hamrailfans
Date: 2000-07-13 19:57:39 UTC
From: Harry Marnell
Topic: 230 Message: 230

Now HERE's a true railfan. Sent some pics, with this caption on one:

"No Crossing Gates - I cross the tracks 7 times on the way to work.
I have it worked out in one area I can get stopped by the same train 3 times
in 2 miles without going out of my way at all. "

Harry Marnell
http://www.snowcrest.net/marnells/ <~<~ Trains, trolleys,

231. South Dakota "1880s'" Steam Train? & Freqs

Yahoo group: hamrailfans
Date: 2000-07-13 20:23:50 UTC
From: Harry Marnell
Topic: 231 Message: 231

Anyone know anything about the 1880's steam train in the Mt Rushmore, SD area?. Going to the area for a vacation, and just found a link.

Radio freqs for the Rushmore area also???

--
Harry Marnell
http://www.snowcrest.net/marnells/ <~ Trains and other neat stuff

232. Re: [hamrailfans] South Dakota "1880s'" Steam Train? & Freqs

Yahoo group: hamrailfans
Date: 2000-07-13 22:47:17 UTC
From: Neil McKie
Topic: 232 Message: 232

Harry Marnell wrote:

> Anyone know anything about the 1880's steam train in the Mt Rushmore, SD
> area?. Going to the area for a vacation, and just found a link.
>
> Radio freqs for the Rushmore area also???

What county is it in?

> --
> Harry Marnell
> http://www.snowcrest.net/marnells/ <~ Trains and other neat stuff

Neil McKie ... WA6KLA ...

233. Re: [hamrailfans] South Dakota "1880s'" Steam Train? & Freqs

Yahoo group: hamrailfans
Date: 2000-07-14 02:24:49 UTC
From: Harry Marnell
Topic: 232 Message: 233

That would be Pennington County it looks like, but within simplex distance
of Custer County on the south, and not far from Lawrence County to the north

harry

----- Original Message -----
From: "Neil McKie" <n.mckie@...>
To: <hamrailfans@egroups.com>
Sent: Thursday, July 13, 2000 15:47
Subject: Re: [hamrailfans] South Dakota "1880s'" Steam Train? & Freqs

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> Harry Marnell wrote:
>
> > Anyone know anything about the 1880's steam train in the Mt Rushmore, SD
> > area?. Going to the area for a vacation, and just found a link.
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> > Radio freqs for the Rushmore area also???
>
> What county is it in?
>
> > --
> > Harry Marnell
> > http://www.snowcrest.net/marnells/ <~ Trains and other neat stuff
>
> Neil McKie ... WA6KLA ...
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234. Re: [hamrailfans] South Dakota "1880s'" Steam Train? & Freqs

Yahoo group: hamrailfans
Date: 2000-07-14 03:29:11 UTC
From: Neil McKie
Topic: 232 Message: 234

Harry Marnell wrote:

> That would be Pennington County it looks like, but within simplex distance
> of Custer County on the south, and not far from Lawrence County to the north

What specifically are you looking for?

In Pennington County ... there are 23 transmitter frequencies for Rushmore Electric Power, 6 frequencies for Rushmore Forest Products, 3 frequencies for Rushmore Vending, 2 frequencies for Rushmore Water Slide and 1 frequency for Rushmore Plaza Hotel.

> harry

Neil

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> ----- Original Message -----
> From: "Neil McKie" <n.mckie@...>
> To: <hamrailfans@egroups.com>
> Sent: Thursday, July 13, 2000 15:47
> Subject: Re: [hamrailfans] South Dakota "1880s'" Steam Train? & Freqs
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> >
> > Harry Marnell wrote:
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> 2. Receive approval decision within 30 seconds
> 3. Get rates as low as 2.9% Intro or 9.9% Fixed APR
> http://click.egroups.com/1/6628/10/_/510371/_/963542197/
> ----------

235. Re: [hamrailfans] South Dakota "1880s'" Steam Train? & Freqs

Yahoo group: hamrailfans
Date: 2000-07-14 03:54:22 UTC
From: Harry Marnell
Topic: 232 Message: 235

Thanks, Neil. Specifically looking for any freqs belonging to that railroad, also local 2-meter repeaters...will be coming in from Wyoming on I-90 to Mt Rushmore area. Also, SD Highway Patrol / State Police. I'm navigating thru the FCC site right now...

harry

--- Original Message -----
From: "Neil McKie" <n.mckie@...>
To: <hamrailfans@egroups.com>
Sent: Thursday, July 13, 2000 20:29
Subject: Re: [hamrailfans] South Dakota "1880s'" Steam Train? & Freqs

>
> Harry Marnell wrote:
>
> > That would be Pennington County it looks like, but within simplex distance

236. Re: Black Hills Central RR

Yahoo group: hamrailfans
Date: 2000-07-14 04:07:57 UTC
From: Harry Marnell
Topic: 236 Message: 236

ok, i found the RR: 160.38R & 161.49 b/m

harry/N6URU

237. I-5 to Portland, then over to Pasco/Spokane - freqs?

Yahoo group: hamrailfans
Date: 2000-07-15 04:09:15 UTC
From: Harry Marnell
Topic: 237 Message: 237

Hi -

Taking a vacation north, would appreciate a couple links or lists to "primary" public safety (esp Hiway Patrol/State Police), 2-meter ham repeaters & RR freqs. Will be taking I-5 from Grants Pass to PDX, then east up the Columbia and on into Pasco. After that, up to Spokane and east on I-90 and beyond.

I don't ask for MUCH, do I????

TIA

Harry
http://www.snowcrest.net/marnells/humbfreq.htm <~ CA North Coast Scanner freqs and lotsa links

238. Re: [hamrailfans] I-5 to Portland, then over to Pasco/Spokane - freqs?

Yahoo group: hamrailfans
Date: 2000-07-15 04:52:51 UTC
From: Neil McKie
Topic: 238 Message: 238

Harry Marnell wrote:

> Hi - Taking a vacation north, would appreciate a couple links or lists
> to "primary" public safety (esp Hiway Patrol/State Police), 2-meter
> ham repeaters & RR freqs.
>
> Ham repeaters 2 meters ... in the Grants Pass area I think there
> is a 146,94 box there - tone, if any is unknown. ... north of that
> ... in Eugene is the 146.68 repeater ... is the Lane County ARES box
> ... once you get north of there, and generally closer to the Portland
> area is 147.32 ... located west of Portland at 3500' ... you can
> generally use that one from just north of Eugene - through Portland -
> except close-in downtown - all the way out to the Columbia River Gorge
> ... once you get near Hood River, try the 147.10 box ...it's at about
> 6000' elev. East of there, I have no idea. as I'm usually listening
> to the trains.
>
> Railroad ... from the California line by I-5 ... Central Oregon
> and Pacific ... ... well from Weed in California to Medford Oregon
> 160.440 from Medford to Roseburg is 160.290 ... from Roseburg to
> Springfield junction (just outside of Eugene is 160.455 ...
>
> The old SP now UP freqs from Eugene north is 161.55 ... east of
> Eugene is 160.32
>
> Up the Columbia River from Portland on the UP / south side of the
> river is 160.515 to The Dalles - east of there is 160.410 to the
> Hinkle Yard (Hermiston Oregon) from Hinlke east is 160.410 to La
> Grande. La Grande to Huntington is 160.515 ... Huntington to Nampa
> Idaho is 160.515
>
> On the north side of the river is BNSF .. from Vancouver east is
> 161.415 although in the immediate Vancouver area is 161.250. The
> 161.415 goes to Wishram then switches to 161.445 all the way to Hover
> ... then 161.415 to Pasco ...
>
> Oregon State Police is all high-band ... Unfortunately, I don't
> have a current list of them. Anybody?
>
> Will be taking I-5 from Grants Pass to PDX, then east up the Columbia
> and on into Pasco.
>
> Glutton for punishment you are ...
>
> After that, up to Spokane and east on I-90 and beyond.

>
> Spokane and east anyone?
>
> Will you be coming back through Oregon on your return? I live in
> Central Oregon between Bend and Redmond and, when I think of it,
> usually listen to the 147.36 ARES repeater locally. I don't ask for
> MUCH, do I????
>
> Nah ... TIA Harry
>
> Neil McKie ... WA6KLA ...

239. Re: [hamrailfans] I-5 to Portland, then over to Pasco/Spokane - freqs?

Yahoo group: hamrailfans
Date: 2000-07-15 04:58:05 UTC
From: Neil McKie
Topic: 238 Message: 239

Neil McKie wrote:

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> Harry Marnell wrote:
>
>> Hi - Taking a vacation north, would appreciate a couple links or
>> lists to "primary" public safety (esp Hiway Patrol/State Police),
>> 2-meter ham repeaters & RR freqs.
>
When are you leaving on this trip? And coming through Oregon?

Thank you,

Neil

240. Re: [hamrailfans] I-5 to Portland, then over to Pasco/Spokane - freqs?

Yahoo group: hamrailfans
Date: 2000-07-15 05:07:40 UTC
From: Harry Marnell
Topic: 238 Message: 240

Thanks a bunch, Neil....we leave in the morning (Saturday)...not sure of our return route...possibly I-80 (ugh). Gonna go as far as Mt Rushmore or so. I'll have 147.36 tuned in (unless I'm napping) tomorrow.

73

Harry / N6URU
----- Original Message -----
From: Neil McKie
To: hamrailfans@egroups.com
Sent: Friday, July 14, 2000 21:52
Subject: Re: [hamrailfans] I-5 to Portland, then over to Pasco/Spokane - freqs?

241. Re: [hamrailfans] I-5 to Portland, then over to Pasco/Spokane - freqs?

Yahoo group: hamrailfans
Date: 2000-07-15 06:58:40 UTC
From: Chris Stubblefield
Topic: 238 Message: 241

On Fri, 14 Jul 2000 21:52:51 -0700 Neil McKie <n.mckie@...>
writes:
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> Harry Marnell wrote:
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> > On the north side of the river is BNSF .. from Vancouver east
> is
> > 161.415 although in the immediate Vancouver area is 161.250. The
> > 161.415 goes to Wishram then switches to 161.445 all the way to
> Hover
> > ... then 161.415 to Pasco ...

Should be 161.415 from Washougal (east of Vanc.) to Hover , then 161.445
to Glade north of Pasco. Then Pasco East 161.160
> >
> > Oregon State Police is all high-band ... Unfortunately, I don't
> > have a current list of them. Anybody?
> >
> > Will be taking I-5 from Grants Pass to PDX, then east up the
> Columbia
> > and on into Pasco.
> >
> OSP Portland 154.935
The Dalles/Hood River :155.910
Arlington-Boardman 154.905

WSPVancouver-Goldendale 154.680
Tri-Cities 155.520
Ritzville 154.845
Spokane 155.580
Aircraft/c/c 159.075

I might be around the Tri-Cities area on Mon Tues

Chris Stubblefield KC7HTL 446.000 simplex
Rochester, WA Pager 360-740-5039

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242. Re: [hamrailfans] I-5 to Portland, then over to Pasco/Spokane - freqs?

Yahoo group: hamrailfans
Date: 2000-07-15 11:08:58 UTC
From: Neil McKie
Topic: 238 Message: 242

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>
> I might be around the Tri-Cities area on Mon Tues

I'll be in the greater Portland Saturday morning thru Sunday evening ...

Neil
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243. Re: I-5 to Portland, etc....

Yahoo group: hamrailfans
Date: 2000-07-15 14:51:01 UTC
From: Harry Marnell
Topic: 243 Message: 243

Thanks a lot, guys. This is a short-notice vacation ("If you don't take the time off now, you'll have to wait till the first of the year"), but overnight you gave me two radios full of freqs.

Now I need a list of all Kinkos, lest I go into internet/email withdrawals. Just kidding! I'm about out the door. (As my wife says yet again. "Will you get off that damn computer and take this stuff out to the car...")

Harry N6URU

244. Re: News Article.....Scanners as train detectors

Yahoo group: hamrailfans
Date: 2000-07-31 19:27:59 UTC
From: Harry Marnell
Topic: 244 Message: 244

Obviously it monitors the "FRED" EOT transmitters, which on most railroads are on 457.9375. One problem with the plan could be that any "FRED" that's transmitting would trigger all receivers within range, regardless of the tracks, direction, or distance. Interesting use...many railfans already program the FREDs into their scanners for that same reason...so they know there's a train moving SOMEWHERE nearby.

harry
http://www.snowcrest.net/marnells <~ trains, radios, etc

----- Original Message -----
From: <SBCmusic@...>
To: <SCAN-L@...>
Sent: Monday, July 31, 2000 12:13
Subject: News Article.....Scanners as train detectors

http://www.thestarpress.com/Local_News/0731inventorprofile.html"

> ck here: The Star Press - Online Service</A> Here in Muncie, Indiana, a
> scanner listeners hobby has led to a patented "invention" (I think it's
> more like a discovery than an invention, really) that he calls a "train
> detector".
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> Thought it might be of interest to some of those on the list.
>
> 73,
> Rick N9GSU
>

245. Re: [hamrailfans] Re: News Article.....Scanners as train detectors

Yahoo group: hamrailfans
Date: 2000-07-31 20:36:03 UTC
From: Neil McKie
Topic: 245 Message: 245

Harry Marnell wrote:

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> are on 457.9375. One problem with the plan could be that any "FRED" that's
> transmitting would trigger all receivers within range, regardless of the
> tracks, direction, or distance. Interesting use...many railfans already
> program the FREDs into their scanners for that same reason...so they know
> there's a train moving SOMEWHERE nearby.

Harry, how about power transfers - where the railroad doesn't use / need the
FRED ...?

> harry
> http://www.snowcrest.net/marnells <~ trains, radios, etc

Neil McKie - WA6KLA - Central Oregon ...

> ----- Original Message -----
> From: <SBCmusic@...>
> To: <SCAN-L@...>
> Sent: Monday, July 31, 2000 12:13
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246. Re: 3 Train "FRED" EOT frequencies??

Yahoo group: hamrailfans
Date: 2000-08-01 04:00:31 UTC
From: Harry Marnell
Topic: 246 Message: 246

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----- Original Message -----
From: "J.W. Rice" <jwrice@...>
To: <SCAN-L@...>
Sent: Monday, July 31, 2000 21:46
Subject: RE Train detectors

> Hello,
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> OK, the article referenced <
http://www.thestarpress.com/Local_News/0731inventorprofile.html > said there
were three freqs and I know of only
> two for ETM's (End of Train Monitor) or as the trainspotters call them,
> FREDs (Flashing Rear End Device) so,,, what are all three freqs?
>
> Jonathan - KC8FMR
>
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247. Re: [hamrailfans] Re: 3 Train "FRED" EOT frequencies??

Yahoo group: hamrailfans
Date: 2000-08-01 04:19:28 UTC
From: CGCOM
Topic: 246 Message: 247

US EOT markers primarily use 457.9375 Mhz on the rear of the train
and 452.9375 Mhz on the locomotive. The Norfolk Southern uses
161.115 Mhz for their EOT markers. I am not sure what freq NS uses on
their locomotive. Rail enthusiasts usually listen to the more active EOT
marker freqs since they are more active. I beleive the loco only would
xmit to dump the air in an emergency.

Regards,
-Charlie-
CG Communications North Jersey RailScan
http://railscan.cjb.net

To: <hamrailfans@egroups.com>, "The Railroad List" <RAILROAD@...>,
<Calrailfans@egroups.com>
From: "Harry Marnell" <marnells@...>
Date sent: Mon, 31 Jul 2000 21:00:31 -0700
Send reply to: hamrailfans@egroups.com
Subject: [hamrailfans] Re: 3 Train "FRED" EOT frequencies??

> ----- Original Message -----
> From: "J.W. Rice" <jwrice@...>
> To: <SCAN-L@...>
> Sent: Monday, July 31, 2000 21:46
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248. Re: F'ing Rear End Detector frequencies?

Yahoo group: hamrailfans
Date: 2000-08-01 04:21:26 UTC
From: Harry Marnell
Topic: 248 Message: 248

I guess everyone remembers when the "F" in FRED unofficially stood for something other than "Flashing"....

so,,, what are all three freqs? (457.9375 and _____ _____)

----- Original Message -----
From: "Matthew Roberts" <matthew_roberts@...>
To: <Calrailfans@egroups.com>; <hamrailfans@egroups.com>; "The Railroad List" <RAILROAD@...>
Sent: Monday, July 31, 2000 21:08
Subject: Re: [Calrailfans] Re: 3 Train "FRED" EOT frequencies??

> What about 'BOG'.....battery operated guard. ie. I'm just going to the BOG.
> hehehe.
>
> Matt
>
>
> > > two for ETM's (End of Train Monitor) or as the trainspotters call them,
> > > FREDs (Flashing Rear End Device) so,,, what are all three freqs?
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>
> Don't forget to mark Nov 11-12, 2000 for International Railfair (www.internationalrailfair.com) in Roseville CA
>

249. RE: [hamrailfans] Train Detectors

Yahoo group: hamrailfans
Date: 2000-08-01 12:44:59 UTC
From: Scott Havens
Topic: 249 Message: 249

Maybe it's just me, but this "train detector" sounds like a really dumb idea. Perhaps the thing CAN detect trains and make a noise when it hears one, but I doubt it would save many lives that would otherwise have been lost in car-train accidents.

You might as well design something that monitors the inputs to local police repeaters and hook up a buzzer to the headphone jack, and call it a "cop detector." Of course, you'd have to get a patent on both conventional and trunked cop detectors, and you might need to modify the design a little to cover old low band systems and to separate out the police TGs from others on a TRS, but what the hell? I'll bet that with the proper marketing strategy you could sell these things to crooks all over the country. Maybe one of us needs to go into a new line of business!

SRH/AB2V

Harry Marnell said:

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250. Re: [hamrailfans] Train Detectors

Yahoo group: hamrailfans
Date: 2000-08-01 17:47:33 UTC
From: David W. Epling
Topic: 249 Message: 250

It's sort of a train detector..EOT's frequencies only have about a mile and
1/2 range., what you here is an occasional burst of squelch...and then you
know that a train is within a mile or so of you

David Epling
Bush/Cheney - 2000
Central California Rails: http://cencalrails.railfan.net
Hoghead Hats: http://members.xoom.com/hogheadhats
International Railfair: http://www.internationalrailfair.com
----- Original Message -----
From: "Scott Havens" <SHavens@...>
To: <hamrailfans@egroups.com>
Sent: Tuesday, August 01, 2000 5:44 AM
Subject: RE: [hamrailfans] Train Detectors

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> a TRS, but what the hell? I'll bet that with the proper marketing
strategy
> you could sell these things to crooks all over the country. Maybe one of
us
> needs to go into a new line of business!
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> SRH/AB2V
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> Harry Marnell said:
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> Obviously it monitors the "FRED" EOT transmitters, which on most railroads
> are on 457.9375. One problem with the plan could be that any "FRED"
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> transmitting would trigger all receivers within range, regardless of the
> tracks, direction, or distance. Interesting use...many railfans already
> program the FREDs into their scanners for that same reason...so they know
> there's a train moving SOMEWHERE nearby.

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251. Re: Train Detectors

Yahoo group: hamrailfans
Date: 2000-08-02 15:00:49 UTC
From: SHavens@dmius.com
Topic: 249 Message: 251

I know how it works and what it does, but it just doesn't seem very practical. The short range nature of those end-of-train devices makes it even more ludicrous, considering that many trains are 1/2 mile long or more and most signals are coming from the TRAILING end of the train. If a train is close enough to be a threat, and you can't SEE it, this thing might as well be called a "you just got flattened by a train" detector. IMHO, it can only be useful in areas where there's a single RR line passing through and the visibility down the tracks is poor, and even THEN it doesn't help me to know which direction it's going, whether or not it has already been by the crossing I'm approaching, how long it might be before it arrives (since it doesn't know how long the train is, how fast it's going, or anything else), etc. EOT signals are useful for train fans, who probably already know something about the RR schedules for their area, but trying to market these "detectors" to the general public as a safety device seems dangerous and stupid, unless the final production models are much more sophisticated than the news article leads me to believe!

SRH/AB2V

--- In hamrailfans@egroups.com, "David W. Epling" <ccrails@m...>
wrote:
> It's sort of a train detector..EOT's frequencies only have about a
mile and
> 1/2 range., what you here is an occasional burst of squelch...and
then you
> know that a train is within a mile or so of you
>
>
> David Epling

252. Re: [hamrailfans] Re: News Article.....Scanners as train detectors

Yahoo group: hamrailfans
Date: 2000-08-02 15:01:57 UTC
From: Chris Stubblefield
Topic: 252 Message: 252

On Mon, 31 Jul 2000 12:27:59 -0700 "Harry Marnell"
<marnells@...> writes:
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> railroads
> are on 457.9375. One problem with the plan could be that any "FRED"
> that's
> transmitting would trigger all receivers within range, regardless of
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> tracks, direction, or distance. Interesting use...many railfans
> already
> program the FREDs into their scanners for that same reason...so they
> know
> there's a train moving SOMEWHERE nearby.

Except in busy rail yards.

I've picked up freds from as far away as 5 miles or so, the 452.9375 loco
freq works better as it uses a rooftop antenna but not as active.

Chris Stubblefield KC7HTL 446.000 simplex
Rochester, WA Pager 360-740-5039

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253. Tracking (npi) Convention & Campaign Trains

Yahoo group: hamrailfans
Date: 2000-08-04 17:49:16 UTC
From: Harry Marnell
Topic: 253 Message: 253

It appears that both major parties will be making use of the rails this year. I've got links to about a dozen railroad car-tracing URLs - as well as a couple other rail links at my page:
http://www.snowcrest.net/marnells/cartrace.htm

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Harry Marnell
http://www.snowcrest.net/marnells/

254. Radio Shack's pro-92

Yahoo group: hamrailfans
Date: 2000-08-13 01:12:52 UTC
From: Wil Brubaker
Topic: 254 Message: 254

In the event some of y'all are at a point where your set needs replacing, I hadda do that when my pro-71 went. They've quit making that so one option was the pro-92. This has 500 channels (WOW!!!) but a couple problems. Here's what I sent RS about it:
Radio Shack

Fort Worth, Texas 92134

Dear Sirs:

I have recently had my PRO-71 scanner go bad, considered the wisdom of having y'all's experts look at it for $75-plus, and I elected to replace it with a PRO-92. I figure you are working to create a new scanner even as I think about it, so I thought I'd do a little compare-and-contrast and hopefully inform you about the pluses and minuses of each, from this consumer's vantage point. And perhaps my thoughts will help as you design the eventual replacement for it.

First, the knobs to turn each on. The PRO-92 wins by a mile on this one. The -71 makes me work with fingernails to turn it on, off, up or down, where the PRO-92 allows me to twist these larger (not big) switches, a more natural feeling.

Second, the batteries and the way they are installed. Granted the -71 has two fewer batteries, but replacing them can be a mess because you have to peel off a whole chunk of the machine to do it, and there's the outside chance you could misplace it without half trying. The six batteries on the PRO-92 are easy to install on that six-pack carrier and when you install it, by god it is IN there. Also from the layman's view, I found the volume on the -71 to be weak, except when I used an earphone; maybe there's not a direct cause-and-effect relationship but I could be persuaded that the two extra batteries made for a better volume.

The frequencies I usually scan are pretty active. So when a comparative lot of time goes by and I don't hear anything, I wonder if my radio's hearing the right things. Sometimes also this PRO-92 lets me hear like a chattering, where I can hear regular splurbs of a person talking, but can't make out what (s)he is saying. Bad communication results. My first PRO-92 was giving me this occasionally, so fearing the speaker was not perfectly installed I returned that PRO-92 to the Radio Shack where I bought it, and they quite politely exchanged it. The second one does the same, just as occasionally, but what worries me is the periods of silence I don't think should be. The PRO-71 didn't give me these problems.

Five times as many channels. And I can label them. What's not to love? Well, I prefer the 71's system of actually showing what frequency is being sampled right at this millisecond, and when it stopped to air what was being said on that channel, I could see the actual numbers, which I had almost memorised so I knew what agency I was hearing. The PRO-92 covers this with the labeling, but I think both could be done, maybe not showing the label while the putative new set were scanning, but when the scanner stops to listen to a freq, show the label as well as the frequency, like it does now. Granted each shows in some way what banks are being checked, but the -71's way of showing it is better in my opinion.

The Face of the Machine: Thirty buttons on the PRO-92 is only a tad intimidating, compared to the 19 on the PRO-71. And that pair of half-buttons for scan/manual seemed strange when I bought my 71, but that was smart beyond belief----as you are driving down the expressway with your -71 in the ashtray facing you, you have listened to one police agency and you want to tune that other bank of channels for the county you are entering, assuming you've set up your -71 for this, you can feel to push the SCAN half-button and do what you want to do. With the PRO-92, you have to hold the scanner like a cell phone and use your thumb to do whatever. And to differentiate between Scan and Manual, if it's dark you gotta turn on the light. Need I remind you that to do those things you gotta take your eyes off the road. Just like with your cell phone. And you know what that stupid blonde next to you in this morning's traffic jam did when she was going to use her cell phone.

I love this PRO-92. But something is wrong with it. As I said above, if it weren't receiving something and the band is quiet, no trouble. But when the band should be active, and I can't hear something, I begin to lose faith. Can you see the trouble? And I have used two of them, and get the same trouble, so maybe it's something in manufacturing. You guys wanna look into that, and lemme know what's happening? I'd appreciate your help in this, once for the obvious reason, but also because Radio Shack stuff has up thru this point been damn good, and while the store wizard where I bought the -92 tells me his store computer doesn't recognise me after three months, I bet you can look my name up, and the computers down there will agree that I'm not a first-time buyer.

Thanks, Wil Brubaker

Anyone out there have any similar trouble? What'd ya do? Any cures you know of?

Threes and a happy Labor Day, Wil Brubaker

255. Re: [hamrailfans] Radio Shack's pro-92

Yahoo group: hamrailfans
Date: 2000-08-13 12:29:32 UTC
From: Richard Zimmerman
Topic: 254 Message: 255

On Sat, 12 Aug 2000, you wrote:

> I love this PRO-92. But something is wrong with it. As I said above, if it weren't receiving something and the band is quiet, no trouble. But when the band should be active, and I can't hear something, I begin to lose faith. Can you see the trouble? And I have used two of them, and get the same trouble, so maybe it's something in manufacturing.

Well, it nice to see Radio Shack has fixed the deafness problem... NOT!

I've got a Pro-90 Trunktracker.... Same problem.... It seems to have something to do with the battery saver mode.... When it goes to sleep, it NEVER wakes up! Even when I turn the squelch out 100% it keeps on sleeping!

The only fix I have found is to turn off the scanner and turn it on again. Then every so often, open up the squelch so it doesn't get to comfortable...

I have to agree with you, Radio Shack's OLDER scanners were way better in reliability. I had an old Pro-37 and I died the day that scanner gave up the ghost.

73's

Richard

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Richard Zimmerman ke4rit@...
K&B Transport, Inc. ke4rit@...
Elkhart, Indiana

256. Fw: "DISRUPTION...AT OCEANSIDE AMTRAK STATION"

Yahoo group: hamrailfans
Date: 2000-08-17 14:46:54 UTC
From: Harry Marnell
Topic: 256 Message: 256

Holy bucket o' nuts! Did anyone in the Oceanside area hear THIS last Saturday? Cripes. If it really occurred the way it's described, you'd think Amtrak higher-ups would be all over the City of O'side about it...

Harry

----- Original Message -----
From: "A. N. Imus" <scmh2640@...>
To: <foamers@...>; <calrailfans@egroups.com>; <headsupcoastfans@egroups.com>
Sent: Wednesday, August 16, 2000 22:57
Subject: [Calrailfans] "OPERATIONAL DISRUPTION...AT OCEANSIDE AMTRAK STATION"

> Anyone hear about this yet? Geez...
>
> OPERATIONAL DISRUPTION: SURFLINER CORRIDOR DATE: AUGUST 12,2000
>
> SDNR, SAN DIEGO SUBDIVISION, AT OCEANSIDE AMTRAK STATION
>
> TRAIN 597 OPERATING WITH 1 UNIT AND 10 CARS, WAS DELAYED 1'37" AT
> OCEANSIDE DUE TO 25 DRUNK AND DISORDERLY GUESTS THAT TOOK OVER THE CAFE
> CAR AND CUSTOM CLASS CAR. IT IS NOT KNOWN IF GUESTS WERE TICKETED FOR
> CUSTOM CLASS. OCEANSIDE POLICE WERE CALLED AND OFFICERS WERE DISPATCHED TO
> THE TRAIN STATION.
>
> CONDUCTOR CALLED OPERATIONS AND SPOKE WITH MANAGER ON DUTY TO
> ADVISE THAT OCEANSIDE POLICE RESPONDED BUT REFUSED TO BOARD TRAIN OR ASSIST
> CREW. STATION AGENT AT OCEANSIDE ALSO CALLED AND ADVISED THAT BETWEEN 10
> AND 15 POLICE OFFICERS WERE STANDING OUTSIDE HIS WINDOW LAUGHING. MANAGER
> AT OPERATIONS CALLED OCEANSIDE POLICE TO SEEK INFORMATION AS TO WHY THE
> CREW WAS NOT BEING ASSISTED AND WAS TOLD THAT OFFICERS ARE ON SITE AND
> SUPERVISOR SAID EVERYTHING IS FINE. MANAGER ADVISED THE OCEANSIDE WATCH
> COMMANDER THAT CONDUCTOR AND STATION AGENT ARE REPORTING DIFFERENTLY.
> OFFICERS ARE REFUSING TO ASSIST.
>
> APPROXIMATELY HALF OF OTHER GUESTS ON BOARD DETRAINED AT OCEANSIDE AND
> BOARDED TRAIN 1599 (RACE TRACK SPECIAL) CREATING A STANDING ROOM
> ONLY CONDITION. CREW ON 1599 ADVISED OPERATIONS THAT TICKETS WOULD NOT BE
> LIFTED DUE TO OVERCROWDING CONDITIONS AND UNABLE TO GET TRHOUGH TRAIN.
> TRAIN 1599 DEPARTED OCEANSIDE AT 7:58PM, 10" LATE, DISORDERLY GUESTS
> DETRAINED OFF #597 WITHOUT POLICE ACTIVITY, AND TRAIN DEPARTED OCEANSIDE AT
> 8:05, 1' 37" LATE.

>
> CONDUCTOR ON TRAIN 597 CALLED OPERATIONS TO ADVISE THAT HE WAS TURNING
OVER
> HIS RADIO AND CELL PHONE TO THE ASSISTANT CONDUCTOR. HE WILL DETRAIN AT
SNC
> (SAN CLEMENTE) AND TAKE TRAIN 584 FROM SNC TO SAN (SAN DIEGO) WHERE HE
WILL
> RESIGN FROM COMPANY. CONDUCTOR ADVISED THAT HE WAS RETIRING AT THE END OF
> THE MONTH AND WILL NOT TAKE THIS ANY MORE.
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> _____
> Get Your Private, Free E-mail from MSN Hotmail at http://www.hotmail.com
>
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>
> Don't forget to mark Nov 11-12, 2000 for International Railfair
(www.internationalrailfair.com) in Roseville CA
>

257. Fw: [Streamliner] Radios in cab -- when?

Yahoo group: hamrailfans
Date: 2000-08-17 18:22:46 UTC
From: Harry Marnell
Topic: 257 Message: 257

This was on another group...perhaps someone here has some info??

Harry Marnell
http://www.snowcrest.net/marnells/
http://tm.intervu.net/template/smirror/ivtemplates/apbonline/scannerlive_la.
asx <<~ DNC LAPD scanner broadcasts

----- Original Message -----
From: "Jeff Aley - GCD PE" <jaley@...>
To: <Streamliner@egroups.com>
Sent: Thursday, August 17, 2000 10:52
Subject: [Streamliner] Radios in cab -- when?

> When did the UP start using radios / walkie talkies(??)? I note that PRR
> started using "train phones" during the steam era, and I wonder if UP
> followed suit.
>
> Prior to radios, how did the engineer know when the caboose started
> moving? Was there some way to signal the head end using the train line,
> or was it through hand/lantern signals?
>
> Thanks,
>
> -Jeff
>
> --
> Jeff Aley, Development Engineer jaley@...
> Graphics Components Division
> Intel Corporation, Folsom, CA
> (916) 356-3533
>
>
>
> Steamliner e-mail List
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258. Re: [hamrailfans] Fw: [Streamliner] Radios in cab -- when?

Yahoo group: hamrailfans
Date: 2000-08-17 20:12:29 UTC
From: stkntower@aol.com
Topic: 258 Message: 258

If you dont get an answer to this question about UP and radios, I will ask a fella that worked in their communications and signaling department from the mid 40's till his retirement in the mid 70's. Speaking of him he did a talk at the Amador County Calif Radio Club a couple of months ago, and I wonder if I might be able to get some of his slides for scanning showing how things were back in those days...hmmmm

John Manter

259. Re: [hamrailfans] Fw: [Streamliner] Radios in cab -- when?

Yahoo group: hamrailfans
Date: 2000-08-18 06:52:30 UTC
From: Chris Stubblefield
Topic: 258 Message: 259

I believe most of the class1's were fully implemented by the late 1950's Milwakuee Road was one of the first transcon's to do it as their financial situation greatly improved by the use of radios and new diesel power. I heard that the Santa Fe had some sort of colored disc on top of some cabooses to indicate commands by changing the position of the disc. I've seen some AAR promotional clips from the 50's which showed the old "lunch box" type radios being used by trainmen.
A friend of mine relates a story he heard from a retired UP brakemen from Pocatello who was flagging a train in the wilds of Idaho, waitng to be called back to the caboose. He was a good mile or so from the train and as the wind out there was blowing fiercely, he suddenly spots it moving away. In those days, the caboose would blow a signal to call the flagger back in.
He missed the call account of wind and ended up walking down the main when the Portland Rose came blowing on through. He was able to flag down the train (quite the fete as the Rose was a crack train with limited stops) after getting on down the line, they pass his freight in the hole, to which the brakeman asks the engineer if he would stop the Portland Rose so he can get back on his train. The engineer replies, "I ain't stopping for you twice"

Chris Stubblefield KC7HTL 446.000 simplex
Rochester, WA Pager 360-740-5039

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260. ...And the Carnage Continues

Yahoo group: hamrailfans
Date: 2000-08-20 23:55:07 UTC
From: Smokey Behr
Topic: 260 Message: 260

UPRR is currently working a trespasser vs train in Oxnard. The trespasser is presumed to be 11-44 (DOA). The Amtrak #11 and #14 are going to be delayed until everything is sorted out.

Dispatcher 50 has been in contact with the train since the incident on 161.550, and Oxnard Fire and PD as well as Ventura County SO are covering the on-scene activity.

More as it becomes available.

--
Smokey Behr
Bush/Cheney 2000 - Bringing integrity back to the White House.
Come see our ratties! http://connect.to/ratcam
Come visit twofatladies and DocHattori, my NeoPets!
http://www.neopets.com/refer.phtml?username=smokeybehr
WIN A FREE FIREARM!!!! YES, I SAID FREE!!!!
http://directedfire.com/greatgungiveaway/directedfire.referrer.fcgi?1071

261. ADMIN NOTE

Yahoo group: hamrailfans
Date: 2000-08-24 05:24:56 UTC
From: David W. Epling
Topic: 261 Message: 261

Ladies and gentlemen of the Calrailfans List, Sacramento Northern List, and HamRailfans List,

The following Message was sent to me, Please read it and give me your thoughts

Thanks

David Epling

Vote wisely America! Not simply on party lines
Central California Traction: http://members.xoom.com/tractionco
International Railfair: http://www.internationalrailfair.com
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----- Original Message -----
From: <newsletter-admin@...>
To: <eGroups-Moderator-News@egroups.com>
Sent: Wednesday, August 23, 2000 6:43 PM
Subject: Important eGroups notification

Dear eGroups Moderator,

You are receiving this notice because one or more of the groups you moderate at eGroups will likely be affected by the changes described in this notice. Please read on.

eGroups is committed to offering you a high-quality, easy email group service. As a business, we have two choices in paying for this service: one, charge members for its use, or two, include targeted text and HTML banner advertisements within emails sent to group members. eGroups members have shown an overwhelming preference for a free, ad-supported service...and that's what we've provided.

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http://www.egroups.com/info/noads.html

Sincerely,

The eGroups Customer Support Team
support@egroups.com

262. Re: [hamrailfans] ADMIN NOTE

Yahoo group: hamrailfans
Date: 2000-08-24 22:09:59 UTC
From: Richard Zimmerman
Topic: 261 Message: 262

Well, as some would say... This blows chunks!

My suggestion... As it is unfair to have the owner / moderator pay full freight to keep the ads away (I'm a huge supporter of *NO* ads), give me a snail mail address and I will send you a donation to help cover the costs of the "No Ads" options.

If we all pitch in a little, then the moderator can moderate this group and not to have to work to pay for this group to keep it ad free...

Just a thought...

Richard, ke4rit

On Thu, 24 Aug 2000, you wrote:
> Ladies and gentlemen of the Calrailfans List, Sacramento Northern List, and
> HamRailfans List,
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> Sincerely,
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> The eGroups Customer Support Team
> support@egroups.com
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Richard Zimmerman ke4rit@...
K&B Transport, Inc. ke4rit@...
Elkhart, Indiana

263. Re: [hamrailfans] ADMIN NOTE

Yahoo group: hamrailfans
Date: 2000-08-24 13:20:15 UTC
From: Neil McKie
Topic: 261 Message: 263

Richard Zimmerman wrote:

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> freight to keep the ads away (I'm a huge supporter of *NO* ads), give me a
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> Richard, ke4rit

So, snail mail address please?

Neil - WA6KLA ...

264. ADMIN NOTE - HTML Banner Removal Fund

Yahoo group: hamrailfans
Date: 2000-08-25 04:05:36 UTC
From: David W. Epling
Topic: 264 Message: 264

Ok, if anyone wants to contribute, send funds to:

David Epling
3034 Wentworth Dr
Stockton, CA 95209-2133

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265. Re: [hamrailfans] Digest Number 131

Yahoo group: hamrailfans
Date: 2000-08-25 18:52:08 UTC
From: Phil Kane
Topic: 265 Message: 265

On 25 Aug 2000 11:51:41 -0000, hamrailfans@egroups.com wrote:

> Date: Thu, 24 Aug 2000 21:05:36 -0700
> From: "David W. Epling" <ccrails@...>
>Subject: ADMIN NOTE - HTML Banner Removal Fund
>
>Ok, if anyone wants to contribute, send funds to:
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monthly or yearly, for all the lists that you moderate?

BTW - I read mail with a non-browser mail reader. How does
this affect the "pop=up"s ??

73 de Phil Kane - K2ASP

266. Re: [hamrailfans] Digest Number 131

Yahoo group: hamrailfans
Date: 2000-08-26 03:21:41 UTC
From: David W. Epling
Topic: 265 Message: 266

I honestly don't know about the pop-ups. I figured I would send anything that I got to egroups and it will pay for as long as we have funds for, this particular list (hamrailfans)is the only one so far that wants to pay for the removal of the ads. Calrailfans and Sacramento Northern are indifferent to it, so I will be also.

David Epling
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----- Original Message -----
From: "Phil Kane" <railfan@...>
To: <hamrailfans@egroups.com>
Sent: Friday, August 25, 2000 11:52 AM
Subject: Re: [hamrailfans] Digest Number 131

On 25 Aug 2000 11:51:41 -0000, hamrailfans@egroups.com wrote:

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267. Suicides and trespassers contribute to rail deaths

Yahoo group: hamrailfans
Date: 2000-08-26 17:47:26 UTC
From: Smokey Behr
Topic: 267 Message: 267

http://www.insidevc.com/news/336069.shtml

Suicides and trespassers contribute to rail deaths

By Andy Castagnola
Ventura County Star writer
Saturday August 26, 2000

Former Amtrak engineer Brian Sims still remembers the man draped in a raincoat who stepped in front of his train near San Diego.

"Your heart sinks. You swallow your throat. There's a period of short anger, and you feel absolutely helpless," Sims said of the 1998 incident.

Sims witnessed two fatalities in one year as a student engineer. Two years later, he opted for an Amtrak office job.

"You always second-guess yourself," Sims said about his career choice. "Is this something you really want to do?"

Suicides and accidental pedestrian deaths are familiar scenes on state and local rails. Eighty-six people were accidentally killed by trains or train equipment in California last year, twice the total of the next highest state, Texas.

These are joggers, dog walkers and kids who trespassed onto private railroad property.

Then there are people who step directly in front of trains on purpose.

At least three people have committed suicide or apparent suicide on Ventura County rails this year, and 14 in the past five years, according to the Star's archives.

This summer, 34-year-old Jude Basil Kumar Abeyratne and Herman Carlos Castro Sr., 56, took their lives on county rails. Engineers in both cases said the men walked onto the tracks and waved their arms, waiting to be hit by 500,000 pounds of moving steel.

Numbers are higher in San Francisco, where about 50 people have used Caltrain to take their lives since 1992.

Suicide cases seem to fall between bureaucratic cracks. Railroad companies are not required to report deaths ruled as suicides, so the Federal Railroad Administration doesn't keep exact counts.

FRA spokesman Warren Flatau said suicide cases are beyond the scope of the railroad industry. It's an issue more suited for behavioral health experts, he said.

"We're not part of the mental health community," Flatau said. "Our efforts have got to be focused on the majority of people who think railroad property is public."

FRA and railroad companies such as Amtrak and Union Pacific work with Operation Lifesaver, a nonprofit organization, to prevent accidental train deaths.

The keys to keeping people off tracks, Operation Lifesaver president Eric Jacobsen said, are education, enforcement and engineering.

About 3,000 Operation Lifesaver volunteers -- mostly train operators -- visit schools, fairs and offices to preach the dangers of passing trains.

Jacobsen said people tend to underestimate their speed and power. A freight train moving at 70 mph needs more than a mile to stop. Yet people race across tracks to avoid waiting.

Others don't even hear it coming. Flatau said trains are quieter than they've ever been. New, continuously welded tracks eliminate the clickity-clack of an approaching train.

Two joggers, for example, never heard the Metrolink train approach them from behind in a 1997 accident near Corona. At least one of the joggers was wearing headphones.

"Trespassing incidents are largely preventable," Flatau said. "They are needless deaths and injuries. We need to raise the level of awareness, especially among young people."

Flatau also hopes people realize the far-reaching impacts of train deaths. Passengers and freight are stranded for hours in the aftermath. And train crews must cope with an overwhelming feeling of helplessness.

"It isn't just the poor soul run over," Union Pacific spokesman Mike Furtney said. "There's big-time trauma for the people running the trains."

Operation Lifesaver also works with local police to encourage enforcement of trespassing fines.

Fines for walking onto railroad property vary throughout California, although some state lawmakers are pushing for a $270 across-the-board fine, Jacobsen said.

In addition, railroad companies are experimenting with engineering solutions to prevent trespassers. Some measures, such as fencing, can work only in certain locations. Others, such as cameras connected to

law enforcement offices, are costly to install.

Beyond Operation Lifesaver's three-pronged attack on railroad fatalities, Amtrak spokeswoman Liz O'Donoghue said the best prevention might be the deaths themselves.

"The best thing that can happen within a tragedy like this is that people learn tracks are no place to walk," she said.

Andy Castagnola's e-mail address is acastagnola@insidevc.com

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Smokey Behr
Bush/Cheney 2000 - Bringing integrity back to the White House.
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Come visit twofatladies and DocHattori, my NeoPets!
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268. Coast Line update

Yahoo group: hamrailfans
Date: 2000-08-27 18:47:48 UTC
From: Smokey Behr
Topic: 268 Message: 268

From the Santa Barbara Independent:

Union Pacific officials expect a mid-September completion date for the railroad repairs underway below the Tajiguas Landfill following a July 30 Landslide. Both the county and the California Coastal Commission have extended the emergency permits needed to continue repairs. Passenger trains have maintained service by decreasing speeds over the 300 foot stretch, but freights are still unable to use the rail.

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269. Re: [hamrailfans] Coast Line update

Yahoo group: hamrailfans
Date: 2000-08-26 19:04:23 UTC
From: Neil McKie
Topic: 269 Message: 269

Smokey Behr wrote:

> >From the Santa Barbara Independent:
>
> Union Pacific officials expect a mid-September completion date for the
> railroad repairs underway below the Tajiguas Landfill following a July
> 30 Landslide.

Please, where is the Tajiguas Landfill?

Thank you,

Neil - WA6KLA ...

270. Re: [hamrailfans] Coast Line update

Yahoo group: hamrailfans
Date: 2000-08-28 02:37:18 UTC
From: Smokey Behr
Topic: 269 Message: 270

I'm not sure specifically where it is, but I'm pretty sure that it's
close to Vandenberg AFB in Santa Barbara County, California

On Sat, 26 Aug 2000 12:04:23 -0700, Neil McKie <n.mckie@...>
wrote:

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271. Re: [bayscan] Frequency request

Yahoo group: hamrailfans
Date: 2000-08-29 16:39:28 UTC
From: Harry Marnell
Topic: 271 Message: 271

As far as I know, they use these BNSF Road frequencies:
Port Chicago-Kismet (Madera) 160.650

Kismet-Bakersfield 160.935

There might have been some changes...or operations diverted to UP rails
somewhere along there, in which case they'd use the UP(SP) road channel.

Corrections, anyone???

Harry
NWP Fernbridge Sub Dispatcher

----- Original Message -----
From: "Chris E. Halladay" <trek5150@...>
To: <socalscan@egroups.com>; <SCANnorCAL@egroups.com>; <bayscan@egroups.com>
Sent: Tuesday, August 29, 2000 07:49
Subject: [bayscan] Frequency request

To all:

I would like to request that the frequencies for Amtrak and Santa Fe be
posted here. I live very close to the Fresno Amtrak station and would like
to monitor it. I would appreciate receiving as many frequencies as possible.
When posting them, please tell me what is what.

Thanks,
Chris E. Halladay
Fresno, CA
ICQ NICKNAME: CA_Bipolar
IM: trekCEH
Pow Wow: Crazy4Trek

[Non-text portions of this message have been removed]

272. Re: [SCANnorCAL] Re: Frequency request

Yahoo group: hamrailfans
Date: 2000-08-29 17:22:55 UTC
From: Harry Marnell
Topic: 272 Message: 272

Thanks George. I saw a post the other day on some list that the OBS crews on the Coast Starlight were issued FRS (Family Radio Service) radios. He asked a train attendant why, and she answered "I dunno, they just gave them to us."

Anybody know if this idea has spread to other trains. I did see the crew on the Blue Goose (Yreka western) also using them last month.

Harry

----- Original Message -----
From: "George Cusack" <gcusack@...>
To: <SCANnorCAL@egroups.com>
Sent: Tuesday, August 29, 2000 10:13
Subject: [SCANnorCAL] Re: Frequency request

Harry is correct. Those two road frequencies are still current. Speaking of being on the right tracks, with the recent derailments and diversions, the latest Altamont timetable is a must-have for the UP road channels. UP made major road channel changes a year or two ago, and the timetable is the only listing I have seen that is current and correct. Even some of the published books that you pay big bucks for are out-of-date.
Also try 160.245, BNSF PBX north of Fresno.
And if you want to hear who threw up in the aisles, the On-Board Manager frequency for the San Joaquin's is 160.440, I think.

--- In SCANnorCAL@egroups.com, "Chris E. Halladay" <trek5150@m...>
wrote:
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> Thanks,
> Chris E. Halladay
> Fresno, CA
> ICQ NICKNAME: CA_Bipolar
> IM: trekCEH
> Pow Wow: Crazy4Trek
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> [Non-text portions of this message have been removed]

Be sure to visit AND CONTRIBUTE TO the "Shared Files" at...
http://www.onelist.com/files/SCANnorCAL/

SCANnorCAL - the Northern California Scanner meeting place.

273. Fw: Why scan the rails???

Yahoo group: hamrailfans
Date: 2000-08-30 05:08:10 UTC
From: Harry Marnell
Topic: 273 Message: 273

Here's an interesting question from a non-railfan. He's seriously into scanning, but, ...well, who'd like to take a shot at explaining our interest in our little corner of the airwaves...

----- Original Message -----
From: "gary" <gsellani@...>
To: <SCANnorCAL@egroups.com>
Sent: Tuesday, August 29, 2000 21:49
Subject: RE: [SCANnorCAL] Re: [bayscan] Frequency request

While we are talking rail scanning, can anyone explain why I would want to scan trains? I'm not putting it down, but I don't see the attraction. It's not like listening to the cloak and dagger of drug surveillance or "John" hunting. I understand police scanning, fire scanning (when they are actually putting out a fire, not the EMS calls), military air, but just don't get rail scanning.

274. Re: [SCANnorCAL] Fw: Why scan the rails???

Yahoo group: hamrailfans
Date: 2000-08-30 05:13:07 UTC
From: David W. Epling
Topic: 274 Message: 274

Gary,

For railfans it tells us when a train is coming because we photograph them for various reasons...for the non-Railfan, those of you wanting a little more, it is usually the first indication that a Train has hit something or someone, or derailed or hazards exist..

Why do you listen to the Police and Fire Department? (not meant as a jibe, but just to throw it out)
David Epling
Vote wisely America! Not simply on party lines
Central California Traction: http://members.xoom.com/tractionco
International Railfair: http://www.internationalrailfair.com
Railroad Gifs: http://cencalrails.railfan.net/rrgifs.html

275. Re: new location of tag on ads

Yahoo group: hamrailfans
Date: 2000-08-30 16:23:20 UTC
From: Harry Marnell
Topic: 275 Message: 275

And it REALLY ticks me off...I have to cut the ads out (when I remember) whenever I forward messages. Grrrrr.

Lets everyone write a complaint to egroups about the new ad placement at the top...Their address is suggestion@egroups.com

----- Original Message -----
From: "Ray Mullins" <mrm@...>
To: <TROLLEYSca@egroups.com>
Sent: Wednesday, August 30, 2000 08:58
Subject: Re: [TROLLEYSca] Re: new location of tag on ads

The cat walked across the keyboard of PetalumaTrolley@... and wrote:
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> Suddenly the ads that were tagged onto the bottom of messages are
> inserted beween the address information and the body of the text. I am
> trying to discover whether this is Webtv or Onelist doing this so that
> we can fix it. I find it exceedingly annoying, a seriious assault on my
> sensibilities. Any observations.

It's eGroups. On the text versions of emails (which my account gets), it's being stuck in the same place, as you can see above. My guess is that they are making sure you read the ad before the mail. This change has occurred in the past few days.

Later,
Ray

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M. Ray Mullins, Big Bear City, CA - home of the other MARTA - ICQ# 28901695
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276. Re: [hamrailfans] Re: new location of tag on ads

Yahoo group: hamrailfans
Date: 2000-08-30 17:07:55 UTC
From: Neil McKie
Topic: 276 Message: 276

Harry Marnell wrote:

> And it REALLY ticks me off...I have to cut the ads out (when I remember)
> whenever I forward messages. Grrrrr.

I just ignore it ... when I'm forwarding or replying, I just delete it.

> Lets everyone write a complaint to egroups about the new ad placement at the
> top...Their address is suggestion@egroups.com

And they probably won't listen ... next you'll see is their inclusion in the
body of the message. They don't seem to care --- to put it mildly ...

> From: "Ray Mullins" <mrm@...>

> M. Ray Mullins, Big Bear City, CA --

I didn't know there were any trains in Big Bear City? Of course I haven't
been there in a few years ... Last time, a friend owned the local radio stations
- but even he finally left.

Neil McKie ...

277. Re: [SCANnorCAL] Re: Frequency request

Yahoo group: hamrailfans
Date: 2000-08-31 01:31:01 UTC
From: oswap@cs.com
Topic: 272 Message: 277

I was the one that reported the use of FRS on the Coast Starlight on a few lists, and since then I was told that they are also being used on the Sunset Limited, and the Southwest Chief.

-Robert F.

278. Chatsworth Tunnel #26 to be upgraded

Yahoo group: hamrailfans
Date: 2000-08-31 01:51:38 UTC
From: oswap@cs.com
Topic: 278 Message: 278

I just read this on Metrolink's website: http://www.metrolinktrains.com
This is one of the longest train tunnels west of the ol' Missip. All North
and Southbound Amtrak trains on the west coast run through this tunnel.
(scroll below)
-Robert F.

VENTURA COUNTY LINE

TUNNEL 26 REHABILITATION PROJECT

Dear Ventura County Line Passengers:
To increase the speed and comfort of your Metrolink commute from Ventura to
Los Angeles, Metrolink will be rehabilitating the Chatsworth Tunnel, also
known as Tunnel #26, this fall.
From September 30 through October 16, buses will replace train service
between Oxnard and Chatsworth. Passengers who board in Oxnard, Camarillo,
Moorpark and/or Simi Valley in the morning, may ride specially designated
buses from these stations to Chatsworth Station. Upon arriving at
Chatsworth, bus passengers will transfer to Metrolink trains, which will make
all subsequent station stops to Los Angeles.
In the afternoon, northbound trains from Los Angeles will travel as far as
Chatsworth Station. At Chatsworth, riders will board buses that make all
subsequent station stops, at Simi Valley, Moorpark, Camarillo and Oxnard.
Metrolink will update our riders and this web page about any new
developments as the project date nears and throughout the duration of the
construction. Please visit this site periodically to stay informed of the
latest news.
Please review the preliminary schedule for Bus/Train service during the
two-week period from September 30 to October 16, 2000.
Metrolink strives to provide safe, comfortable, convenient commuter train
service to Southern California residents. After the upgrades, train travel
through the tunnel will be faster, thereby reducing overall commute time.
NOTE: Passengers with wheelchairs can be accommodated, but they must call
Metrolink in advance at 800-371-LINK. Also note that bike accommodations
will not be available on the buses.

279. Re: [hamrailfans] Re: [SCANnorCAL] Re: Frequency request

Yahoo group: hamrailfans
Date: 2000-08-31 02:17:24 UTC
From: Chris Stubblefield
Topic: 279 Message: 279

Does that mean we can now make requests on board directly thru our
radios!

Could the southbound Starlight be using CH #11 and northbound #14?

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Chris Stubblefield KC7HTL 446.000 simplex
Rochester, WA Pager 360-740-5039

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280. Re: [hamrailfans] Re: [SCANnorCAL] Re: Frequency request

Yahoo group: hamrailfans
Date: 2000-08-31 02:29:04 UTC
From: Harry Marnell
Topic: 279 Message: 280

SURE, but what do we do on the San Joaquin's? Use microwave frequencies???

----- Original Message -----
From: "Chris Stubblefield" <mainstreeter@...>
To: <hamrailfans@egroups.com>
Sent: Wednesday, August 30, 2000 19:17
Subject: Re: [hamrailfans] Re: [SCANnorCAL] Re: Frequency request

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> -Robert F.

281. Re: [hamrailfans] Re: [SCANnorCAL] Re: Frequency request

Yahoo group: hamrailfans
Date: 2000-08-31 08:27:32 UTC
From: Jim Ley
Topic: 279 Message: 281

Now THIS gives me an idea... Since FRS is a "shared channels" system, they couldn't say a word about ordering room service or another pillow, etc. via radio. Hmmm... Next time I ride the Starlight, I'll have to remember to program some additional channels into my dual bander. :)>

73 de N6LVI

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> > -Robert F.

282. Re: [hamrailfans] Re: [SCANnorCAL] Re: Frequency request

Yahoo group: hamrailfans
Date: 2000-08-31 08:50:59 UTC
From: Neil McKie
Topic: 279 Message: 282

Chris Stubblefield wrote:

> Does that mean we can now make requests on board directly thru our
> radios!

> Could the southbound Starlight be using CH #11 and northbound #14?

About time ...

Neil McKie

283. Re: [hamrailfans] Re: [SCANnorCAL] Re: Frequency request

Yahoo group: hamrailfans
Date: 2000-08-31 09:00:00 UTC
From: Neil McKie
Topic: 279 Message: 283

Jim Ley wrote:

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With the correct CTCSS tone ...

> 73 de N6LVI

Neil McKie - WA6KLA ...

284. Re: [hamrailfans] Digest Number 136

Yahoo group: hamrailfans
Date: 2000-08-31 16:58:12 UTC
From: Phil Kane
Topic: 284 Message: 284

> Date: Thu, 31 Aug 2000 01:27:32 -0700
> From: Jim Ley <jimn6lvi@...>
> Subject: Re: Re: [SCANnorCAL] Re: Frequency request
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>Now THIS gives me an idea... Since FRS is a "shared channels" system,
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And why not? There's no limitation on the use of FRS for
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>remember to program some additional channels into my dual bander.

I rode the Southwest Chief (CHI-LAX) and the Coast Starlight
(LAX-EMY and EMY-PDX) about a month ago and there were no FRS
units in use. AMTRAK does have specific AAR channels for
on-board use, however.

73 de Phil Kane - K2ASP

From a Clearing in the Silicon Forest
Beaverton (Washington County), Oregon

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WA6KLA ... > > > >
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285. Re: [hamrailfans] Digest Number 136

Yahoo group: hamrailfans
Date: 2000-08-31 17:21:23 UTC
From: Rich Carlson, N9JIG
Topic: 284 Message: 285

Well to get technical about it you would need to use FRS radios that are type accepted for the service, or be a licensed GMRS operator. GMRS operators are only allowed to use the freqs that are FRS channels 1 thru 7 (the 462.5625 thru 462.7125 channels.) GMRS operators do not have privileges on 467.5625 thru 467.7125 (FRS 8-14) except with FRS radios. GMRS people can use the 462 MHz channels with up to 5 watts, using portables, mobiles, and small bases, and even external antennas. FRS radios are limited to 500 mw, with permanently attached antennas and other restrictions.

BTW, the radio that Radio Shack sells that appears to be an FRS mobile with remote antenna is actually a remote control head, the actual radio is integral with the antenna in accordance to the FRS service rules.

At 9:58 AM -0700 8/31/00, Phil Kane wrote:
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Rich Carlson, N9JIG
IL Highways and Scanner Pages: http://www.n9jig.com
Chicago Area Radio Monitoring Association:
http://www.theramp.net/shabec/carma.htm

286. The Latest from eGroups...Ooop...Yahoo

Yahoo group: hamrailfans
Date: 2000-09-01 07:20:46 UTC
From: David W. Epling
Topic: 286 Message: 286

meanwhile, the government fights with Microsoft...Yahoo takes all

David Epling
Vote wisely America! Not simply on party lines
Central California Traction: http://www.trainweb.org/tractionco
International Railfair: http://www.internationalrailfair.com
Railroad Gifs: http://cencalrails.railfan.net/rrgifs.html

Yahoo! has completed its acquisition of eGroups, and we're happy to officially welcome you to the Yahoo! family. You can learn more about the completion of the deal by reading our press release (http://www.egroups.com/local/pr/pr083100.html). There is a great deal of work ahead as we work to bring eGroups into the Yahoo! network of services, but we're very excited about the future.

We hope you'll be celebrating with us as we begin expanding our ability to help people collaborate, exchange ideas, and build relationships around the world.

Although we're busy working on future plans, it's important to know that there will be no immediate changes to either the eGroups or Yahoo! Clubs services. All of the current features, policies, and services will continue to be supported.

Users will continue to be governed by the Terms of Service they initially agreed to upon registering for either service. In other words, the eGroups Terms of Service will continue to apply to eGroups users.

Short term, we'll continue planning for the integrated service, while trying our best to anticipate any major issues that might arise. We will share news on our progress in the merger discussion group (http://www.egroups.com/group/merger), and we encourage you to participate in the dialogue by voicing your concerns.

We understand there will be a lot of questions regarding this integration and we'll try to answer them all as best we can. We've also created a Help Center (http://help.yahoo.com/help/egroups) on Yahoo! to serve as a home for commonly asked questions.

Thanks for your patience, encouragement, and feedback throughout this process.

All the best,

The folks from eGroups and Yahoo!

287. Re: [hamrailfans] Re: [SCANnorCAL] Re: Frequency request

Yahoo group: hamrailfans
Date: 2000-09-01 07:51:01 UTC
From: Jim Ley
Topic: 279 Message: 287

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288. Re: [hamrailfans] Re: [SCANnorCAL] Re: Frequency request

Yahoo group: hamrailfans
Date: 2000-09-01 13:35:11 UTC
From: Neil McKie
Topic: 279 Message: 288

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> tone as soon as they talk. Heh heh...

Some of the newer radios will do that ... and yes, it is convenient.

> Also nice for cracking "closed repeaters"...

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289. Re: [hamrailfans] Re: [SCANnorCAL] Re: Frequency request

Yahoo group: hamrailfans
Date: 2000-09-01 16:32:33 UTC
From: Jim Ley
Topic: 279 Message: 289

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290. RE: [hamrailfans] Re: [SCANnorCAL] Re: Frequency request

Yahoo group: hamrailfans
Date: 2000-09-01 16:46:33 UTC
From: Fletcher, Robert L SPK
Topic: 279 Message: 290

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-----Original Message-----
From: Jim Ley [mailto:jimn6lvi@...]
Sent: Friday, September 01, 2000 9:33 AM
To: hamrailfans@egroups.com
Subject: Re: [hamrailfans] Re: [SCANnorCAL] Re: Frequency request

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291. Re: [hamrailfans] Re: [SCANnorCAL] Re: Frequency request

Yahoo group: hamrailfans
Date: 2000-09-01 17:03:43 UTC
From: Neil McKie
Topic: 279 Message: 291

"Fletcher, Robert L SPK" wrote:

> Are these 2 freqs. very much used as was the ham freq. that use to be on the
> air on Wednesday nights that all the folks that talked "trains"?

I guess so ... I wouldn't know - I live in Central Oregon.

> You guys talk trains and Railroading also?

I do ... here, there, elsewhere, Sunday evenings with friends at a local
pizza parlor in Portland, Oregon. There a few of us who talk trains on the
local ARES repeater too.

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292. READ THIS BEFORE PAYING $60 FOR "NO ADS" ...

Yahoo group: hamrailfans
Date: 2000-09-01 19:11:39 UTC
From: Harry Marnell
Topic: 292 Message: 292

Yahoo MAY NOT have to honor the fees you're paying for the "no ads" option.
Read the following from
< http://www.egroups.com/message/Merger/8067 > , especially the second half
about being "grandfathered" in with the switch to Yahoo. (essentially says
"You agreed to the terms of service...and one term of service is that WE can
change the Terms of Service...including fees for services")

From: Kirk Scott, eGroups Inc. <kirk@e...>
Date: Sat Aug 26, 2000 11:53am
Subject: Re: Re: mark's beefy TOS roundup/ Question about Ads Opt

On Sat, 26 Aug 2000, Cat Standish wrote:

> How would the theorectical new TOS work should we go for the Ads Opt?
> What I mean is....what if there was a significant change in TOS which
> we couldn't live with....and We had paid for the Ads Op. Am I to
> assume that there would still be no refund even though the TOS under
> which we were expected to operate had been modified?

No-ads payments are non-refundable. If you disband your group for any
reason during the year, you will not receive a refund.

> Or, would we be considered to be grandfathered in under the original
> TOS during the duration of our paid term? (After all...if I am
> paying, I personally consider that to be a contractual obligation
> between me and Egroups that Egroups should continue to provide the
> same service which I paid for under the same terms and conditions.)

Personal considerations aside, you have already agreed to the current
eGroups Terms of Service, and the current TOS includes in the first
paragraph this line:

"We may update any or all of the Terms of Service from time to time
without notice. Please read them carefully."

http://www.egroups.com/info/tos.html

-> Kirk Scott | eGroups, Inc. Product Marketing

293. RE: [hamrailfans] Digest Number 137

Yahoo group: hamrailfans
Date: 2000-09-01 20:47:19 UTC
From: Scott Havens
Topic: 293 Message: 293

Maybe I'm missing something here, but I don't see what ordering room service by radio has to do with needing type accepted hand-helds or a GMRS license...

A more relevant issue is what the RR company CHOOSES to put up with. We can legally use our FRS radios on the train (unless they prohibit it for some reason, and I doubt they'd do that). We could even talk to the crew if we wanted to, but if they don't want to talk to us, they don't have to! It seems to me that they wouldn't even know what to do if you tried to order something over the radio. After all, they're using them as a convenience in carrying out their duties, not as an extension of the McDonald's drive-through. They aren't equipped to deal directly with the public in that way.

(Did I mention something about them prohibiting FRS use on board? If we got to be a real pain for the crews, that might be one of the options they'd consider, although I would think that moving to AAR or business band channels would make more sense....)

SRH/AB2V

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>Now THIS gives me an idea... Since FRS is a "shared channels" system,
>they couldn't say a word about ordering room service or another pillow,
>etc. via radio.

And why not? There's no limitation on the use of FRS for
any legal business. See FCC Rules Sect.95.173 (FRS Eule 3).

Hmmm... Next time I ride the Starlight, I'll have to
>remember to program some additional channels into my dual bander.

Well to get technical about it you would need to use FRS radios that
are type accepted for the service, or be a licensed GMRS operator.

294. Re: [hamrailfans] Digest Number 137

Yahoo group: hamrailfans
Date: 2000-09-01 20:55:44 UTC
From: Harry Marnell
Topic: 293 Message: 294

A GMRS license only applies to GMRS radios in GMRS service. I thought that legally you can only communicate with others on YOUR license in GMRS service...or am I wrong about that?

FRS lets ya talk to anyone you want...but as the man says...they don't have to answer.

Harry

And why not? There's no limitation on the use of FRS for any legal business. See FCC Rules Sect.95.173 (FRS Eule 3).

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>remember to program some additional channels into my dual bander.

Well to get technical about it you would need to use FRS radios that are type accepted for the service, or be a licensed GMRS operator.

295. Re: [hamrailfans] Re: [SCANnorCAL] Re: Frequency request

Yahoo group: hamrailfans
Date: 2000-09-02 06:12:47 UTC
From: Jim Ley
Topic: 279 Message: 295

Same system, but after the old Ch. 13 tower on Diablo fell over during
a big wind storm, the whole system was off the air for a while and the
"Railfan Net" kind'a went away... A new tower was erected eventually,
but the railfan net just fell by the wayside...
Too bad...

73 de N6LVI

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296. Fwd: Coast Line update

Yahoo group: hamrailfans
Date: 2000-09-02 07:29:25 UTC
From: oswap@cs.com
Topic: 296 Message: 296
Attachments: 1 described; binary payloads are missing from this source WARC

The landslide occurred about 25 miles northwest of Santa Barbara near Gaviota. I have passed by the landslide twice since it occurred. It was quite a

297. eGroups will be down tonight (ADMIN NOTE)

Yahoo group: hamrailfans
Date: 2000-09-06 21:51:10 UTC
From: David W. Epling
Topic: 297 Message: 297

eGroups will be down for a few hours tonight (Wed 9/6/00) to facilitate yahoo's Assimilation of eGroups.

David Epling
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298. Re: [hamrailfans] eGroups will be down tonight (ADMIN NOTE)

Yahoo group: hamrailfans
Date: 2000-09-06 22:13:14 UTC
From: Neil McKie
Topic: 298 Message: 298

"David W. Epling" wrote:

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Either nothing will work ... or garbage in / garbage out?

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299. FW: [socalscan] UPDATE: BREAKING BRUSH FIRE NEWS: LAKE CACHUMA/H WY 154

Yahoo group: hamrailfans
Date: 2000-09-11 19:56:13 UTC
From: Fletcher, Robert L SPK
Topic: 299 Message: 299

Folks, Harry has done SCANnorCAL and BayScan, why not talk to him and GET RID OF THE ADS!!!

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-----Original Message-----
From: Harry Marnell [mailto:marnells@...]
Sent: Monday, September 11, 2000 12:13 PM
To: Fletcher, Robert L SPK
Subject: Re: [socalscan] UPDATE: BREAKING BRUSH FIRE NEWS: LAKE CACHUMA/HWY 154

I can't, but maybe if you send an email to
socalscan-owner@egroups.com
and also scansacramento-owner@egroups.com

You might mention that ScanNorCal AND BayScan have now both moved to smartgroups. http://www.smartgroups.com has all the info they need.

Thanks for the help, Bob! Isn't it great to actually see the MESSAGE on the first line, rather than 2 inchs of ads!

harry

----- Original Message -----
From: "Fletcher, Robert L SPK" <RFletcher@...>
To: "'Harry Marnell'" <marnells@...>
Sent: Monday, September 11, 2000 11:29
Subject: FW: [socalscan] UPDATE: BREAKING BRUSH FIRE NEWS: LAKE CACHUMA/HWY 154

Harry, can you get Socalscan to go with the new group?

300. Re: [hamrailfans] FW: [socalscan] UPDATE: BREAKING BRUSH FIRE NEWS: LAKE CACHUMA/H WY 154

Yahoo group: hamrailfans
Date: 2000-09-12 00:51:12 UTC
From: David W. Epling
Topic: 300 Message: 300

Uh Bob, the Hamrailfans list took a vote, they agreed to live with the ads...but we can vote again and I can move it to Smartgroups (For the record, There are NO ads on Smartgroups like we are seeing here on eGroups)

David Epling
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From: "Fletcher, Robert L SPK" <rfletcher@...>
To: "'HAM-RAIL-FAN'" <hamrailfans@egroups.com>; "'Norcalhams'" <norcalhams@onelist.com>; "'SCANsacramento'" <scansacramento@onelist.com>; "'SOCALSCAN'" <socalscan@onelist.com>
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301. Day at the Stockton Tower

Yahoo group: hamrailfans
Date: 2000-09-14 23:37:09 UTC
From: David W. Epling
Topic: 301 Message: 301

Hi all,

Just a quick reminder, we have an Australian Railfan group currently touring the US, they are headed to San Francisco tomorrow and 16 of them will be coming to Stockton on Saturday the 16th, anyone who would like to join us for a day of Railfanning at the Stockton Tower Location, are welcome to come up and have a good time with us all. I will be there between 0830 and 0900, the Aussies will be arriving at 0920 on Amtrak #712. I know some of you are going to Guy Dunscomb's Memorial, but we will be at the tower location before, during, and after Guy's Memorial, stop by and see us. For a map of how to get to the Tower, go to this URL:
http://cencalrails.railfan.net/stkntowr.html

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302. The "famous" Runaway train 20-minute audio

Yahoo group: hamrailfans
Date: 2000-09-25 05:15:28 UTC
From: Harry Marnell
Topic: 302 Message: 302

I haven't found it online in a while, but I did find it stashed on my hard drive...the realaudio file of the runaway CN ore train from the mid 1980s.

It's on my site at http://www.snowcrest.net/marnells/runtrans.htm

Harry

303. And the carnage continues... TWICE!

Yahoo group: hamrailfans
Date: 2000-09-27 05:42:06 UTC
From: Smokey Behr
Topic: 303 Message: 303

http://news.newspress.com/toplocal/trainfor0926.htm

Same tracks, twin tragedies

Train hits car after fatal crash in Summerland, then strikes apparently suicidal man

9/26/00
By DAWN HOBBS
NEWS-PRESS STAFF WRITER

dhobbs@newspress.com

A northbound Amtrak passenger train screeched to a halt twice within a two-mile stretch Monday for two unrelated deaths on the tracks -- one from a traffic collision, the other from an apparent suicide.

The first incident occurred at 11:15 a.m. when a Summerland woman lost control of her Lincoln Navigator as she exited southbound Highway 101 at Evans Avenue and careened toward the tracks 75 feet below.

Holly Marie Basham, 43, was killed instantly when her vehicle came crashing down on its roof, authorities said. She was the daughter of the late Col. Arthur Basham, whose family has lived in Montecito for more than 70 years, and cousin of tennis pro Mark Basham.

Only minutes after Basham's car landed on the gravel track bed, a train bound for Santa Barbara from San Diego went by, grazing the side of the vehicle.

With more than 100 passengers on board, the train remained stopped for 45 minutes before it was cleared to resume its route.

Then at 12:10 p.m., only two miles north of the fatal crash, the engineer saw a man walking down the middle of the tracks.

"He honked his horn, but the man didn't move out of the way," said Kenneth Kesler, Montecito Fire District battalion chief. "Instead, the engineer said that he turned and ran toward the train."

The engineer, whose name was not released, was too distraught to talk. Officials say Amtrak will provide counseling for him.

"He says he's very upset and that there's no question about it, this was a suicide," Kesler said.

The train was traveling at about 45 mph when it struck the man and then dragged him about 400 feet before it was able to stop -- with the

man's body still under the front wheels, his black baseball cap stuck to the front of the locomotive.

The sheriff's coroner has identified the man as a 42-year-old Santa Barbara resident. His name was withheld, pending notification of family members.

"It's just terrible to see people lose their lives," said Sean Strong, the train's conductor. "We don't know what was going on in this guy's life, but it affects everyone that was involved. It's a sad situation."

While there were no witnesses to the apparent suicide, a big-rig driver saw the accident that caused Basham's death.

"She passed around me like a normal exit," said Fernando Perez, who was headed for Los Angeles. "I was behind her and then all of a sudden the car was flying and she was over the side."

Perez said he tried to call for help on his cell phone but could not get a dial tone. He flagged down another motorist who was able to call 9-1-1. Two other men in a pickup truck also stopped to help.

"But there was no way to get her out," Perez said.

Moments after the train skidded to a stop, Carpinteria firefighters arrived.

"The impact had already killed her," said California Highway Patrol Officer Jim Hoskins. "There's nothing the truck driver could have done.

"It took several firefighters to get her out of the vehicle," he said.

CHP officers are still investigating how Basham may have lost control of her vehicle.

Basham leaves behind two children, Tara, 21, and Christopher, 17, who lived with her in Summerland.

"She was very proud of both of those children," said Nancy Basham, her aunt. "She had a lot of pizazz and enjoyed life. She had a very generous spirit. I'm just stunned, and am so very sorry for the children."

Basham's brother, Van, was to fly to Dallas from Minneapolis on Monday night to notify Holly's mother of her death and then travel to Santa Barbara today to be with her children.

Basham was described as an accomplished horsewoman with a great sense of humor and who liked to help people. She owned a Summerland antiques store and had volunteered in local hospitals and convalescent homes, including Mission Terrace.

"She couldn't do enough for people," said Arthur von Wiesenberger, 47, a family friend since 1968. "More than anything, she loved her children. They were No. 1 in her life. They were always with her. She was so filled with the joy of being a mom and watching her kids blossom."

Von Wiesenberger met Basham when she was 15. He had been attending high school in Switzerland with her brother when the family invited him to live in their Montecito home.

"They were like family," he said. "There was this wonderful generosity of spirit. You can see it in the whole family.

"And you can see from the children that Holly was the kind of mother who went the extra nine yards for them," he said. "Needless to say, they are absolutely devastated."

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Smokey Behr
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Come see our ratties! http://connect.to/ratcam
Come visit twofatladies and DocHattori, my NeoPets!
http://www.neopets.com/refer.phtml?username=smokeybehr
WIN A FREE FIREARM!!!! YES, I SAID FREE!!!!
http://directedfire.com/greatgungiveaway/directedfire.referrer.fcgi?1071

304. Dining in the train

Yahoo group: hamrailfans
Date: 2000-09-29 05:57:03 UTC
From: Smokey Behr
Topic: 304 Message: 304

For those of you like me that enjoy good food and trains, here's a show that features both. This show airs this Sunday, 10/01/2000 at 9PM ET on Food Network. As always, check your local listings for time and channel in your area. If you have DirecTV or Dish Network, you have Food Network available.

http://www.foodtv.com/tvshows/tv-c3/0,2181,5122,00.html

Go aboard glamorous journeys on My Old Kentucky Dinner Train; the Cape Cod Railroad and the Napa Valley Wine Train with its offerings by local vintners. It's a glimpse back to the golden age of extraordinary food that was created for the rails.

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305. StuckButton Magazine (FREE AR MAG)

Yahoo group: hamrailfans
Date: 2000-10-02 09:08:04 UTC
From: Daniel Bartlett
Topic: 305 Message: 305

Hi Everyone,

I have just produced the October Issue of StuckButton. It is a FREE online magazine, produced monthly, for amateur radio enthusiasts, and anyone can write articles for it, or get photos published etc!

Why not check it out at http://www.egroups.com/group/stuckbutton? It is in pdf format, so you will need Adobe Acrobat.

Thanks,

Dan Bartlett, VK4TDB

306. Tehachapi info?

Yahoo group: hamrailfans
Date: 2000-10-08 18:05:58 UTC
From: Neil McKie
Topic: 306 Message: 306

Hello all,

I'm headed to the Tehachapi area in about a week. Is there anything I should know about before I get there? Been there before ... over many years.

Will probably stay in Tehachapi Saturday night ... anybody interested in supper?

Neil McKie - WA6KLA ...

307. Fw: Lodi Police and RR trespassing

Yahoo group: hamrailfans
Date: 2000-10-22 01:27:47 UTC
From: Harry Marnell
Topic: 307 Message: 307

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----- Original Message -----
From: <LynnRail@...>
To: <foamers@...>
Sent: Saturday, October 21, 2000 17:39
Subject: Lodi Police

> Railfan alert! The Lodi Police are taking a very aggressive stance
toward
> trespassers on railroad property. This is in the wake of several train
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> pedestrian fatalities. They have posted signs at every crossing
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> Police by calling 911.
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> they will be there in a hurry! UP Police have tutored the Lodi Police, so
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platform
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> The fine for trespassing is in the $280 range; most of us don't have that
> kind of pocket change.
> Lynn Powell
> Stockton, CA
>
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308. STOLEN MODEL ALERT!!!!

Yahoo group: hamrailfans
Date: 2000-10-23 04:20:07 UTC
From: David W. Epling
Topic: 308 Message: 308

Ladies and Gentlemen,

First off my apologies to those getting this message multiple times, but it needs to get out to everyone.

Over the weekend of September 9th and 10th, at the California Prune Festival in Yuba City, the Sacramento Modular Railroaders were doing a public show along with three other clubs, (None HO Scale)...Sometime between 4PM Saturday and 5PM Sunday, someone decided he/she needed my Super-detailed P2K GP7 Decorated as Central California Traction's #60 more than I did.

This is a HIGHLY Detailed Locomotive and is Digitraxx Decoder Equipped, working Strobe light on the cab, reversing headlights. A lot of time was put into this model by Paul DeRouen, It will stand out in the crowd, the model was decaled with commercial decals made by Microscale (I mention this simply because there are models out there that are home lettered)

PLEASE If ANYONE SEES THIS LOCOMOTIVE...OR KNOWS WHO HAS IT, please contact me ASAP, As long as the unit is returned undamaged I will press the issue no further

4 Views of the locomotive in question: front, left, right, and rear can be found on the CCT Website or at the following URL's:

http://www.trainweb.org/tractionco/HOcct60front.jpg
http://www.trainweb.org/tractionco/HOcct60fire.jpg
http://www.trainweb.org/tractionco/HOcct60eng.jpg
http://www.trainweb.org/tractionco/HOcct60rear.jpg

I will include my address in the hopes that whoever took it if they are reading this will feel guilty and return it

David Epling
3034 Wentworth Drive
Stockton, CA 95209-2133

Unofficial CCT Website: http://www.trainweb.org/tractionco
Unofficial CFNR Website: http://www.trainweb.org/calnorthern
Central California Rails: http://cencalrails.railfan.net
International Railfair: http://www.internationalrailfair.com

309. test

Yahoo group: hamrailfans
Date: 2000-10-26 03:01:59 UTC
From: Chris Stubblefield
Topic: 309 Message: 309

Test

Chris Stubblefield
amatuer radio 146.490/446.000
pager 360-740-5039

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310. Re: [hamrailfans] Fw: Lodi Police and RR trespassing

Yahoo group: hamrailfans
Date: 2000-10-26 19:56:41 UTC
From: Neil McKie
Topic: 307 Message: 310

Harry Marnell wrote:

> ----- Original Message -----
> From: <LynnRail@...>
> To: <foamers@...>
> Sent: Saturday, October 21, 2000 17:39
> Subject: Lodi Police
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> > Lynn Powell
> > Stockton, CA

Where in California is Lodi? I just left California ... probably not to
visit again for a while.

311. Re: [hamrailfans] Fw: Lodi Police and RR trespassing

Yahoo group: hamrailfans
Date: 2000-10-27 02:26:56 UTC
From: Smokey Behr
Topic: 307 Message: 311

On Thu, 26 Oct 2000 12:56:41 -0700, Neil McKie <n.mckie@...>
wrote:

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It's just south of Stockton. The two cities almost touch each other.

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312. Re: [hamrailfans] Fw: Lodi Police and RR trespassing

Yahoo group: hamrailfans
Date: 2000-10-27 04:12:34 UTC
From: stkntower@aol.com
Topic: 307 Message: 312

In a message dated 10/26/00 7:28:37 PM Pacific Daylight Time,
gothbehr@... writes:

<< Where in California is Lodi? I just left California ... probably not to
>visit again for a while.
>

It's just south of Stockton. The two cities almost touch each other.
>>
Actually Lodi is about 10 miles north of Stockton,and at somepoint I expect
the city limits of both to touch.,

John

313. Re: [hamrailfans] Fw: Lodi Police and RR trespassing

Yahoo group: hamrailfans
Date: 2000-10-28 06:48:07 UTC
From: Smokey Behr
Topic: 307 Message: 313

On Fri, 27 Oct 2000 00:12:34 EDT, stkntower@... wrote:

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>gothbehr@... writes:
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> >visit again for a while.
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> >>
>Actually Lodi is about 10 miles north of Stockton,and at somepoint I expect
>the city limits of both to touch.,
>
>John
>

Whoops... That's what I get for trying to eat and think at the same
time... A guy I worked with lives in Lodi, and he tells me that the
distance between the 2 city limits is only about a mile now. It's all
of the Sillycone Valley people that can't afford the incredibly
inflated real estate prices that are making the cities grow.

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314. (fwd) [IPN-Dispatchers] Ventura County Train Derailment

Yahoo group: hamrailfans
Date: 2000-11-04 22:02:15 UTC
From: Smokey Behr
Topic: 314 Message: 314

On Sat, 04 Nov 2000 21:26:07 -0000, "Brent Bollar"
<firecall@...> wrote:

Ventura County Fire (CA) working a MCI Amtrak train derailed at Los
Angeles St & Hitch St (Ventura Thomas 495 J2).Unknown number of
injuries, 2 air ambulances dispatched, cancelled 3rd air ambulance
from LA County. Working on CH.2 (154.325). No further info.

Brent

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315. (fwd) Re: [IPN-Dispatchers] Ventura County Train Derailment

Yahoo group: hamrailfans
Date: 2000-11-04 23:31:09 UTC
From: Smokey Behr
Topic: 315 Message: 315

This is directly from the Fire dispatcher who was in the ECC during
the incident.

On Sat, 04 Nov 2000 22:55:43 +0000, Dickerson@... wrote:

>For those who are interested....
>
>I was working the radio for this incident on our Ch. 2.
>What a cluster to start with.
>
>I do not know how, but a Tree Trimming truck, as I was
>told, was hit by the train at speed. 1 occupant of the
>truck died at the scene, the other is in very critical
>condition. There were a total of 94 passenger and crew
>on the train. There was a total of 1 critical (from the
>truck), 4 moderate, and, by last count, 27 minor
>injuries. Of those, 2 were taken by air, the rest by
>ground.
>
>Total equipment committed at one time or another
>includes:
>8 Engines, 2 Rescue Engines, 4 BC's, 3 Copters (1 from
>Los Angeles canceled enrt), 1 Light and Air unit, and
>various Logistics and Information personnel. Amtrak
>also had 7 buses on scene within 1 hour to facility mass
>transportation of the walking wounded and non-injured.
>
>Once again, being on the radio prevented me from sending
>out this page. By my clock, this incident was in
>progress for approx. 1 hour before I received the first
>page, and there was nothing I could do. We are su[oosed
>to be getting network access from every position in
>here, but I do not know when that will be a reality.
>
>They are releasing equipment from the scene at this
>time, but Highway 118 between Grimes Canyon and Tierra
>Rejada will be closed for up to 8 more hours. I will
>try and update everyone when the roadway is opened, and
>the incident closed.
>
>Michael Dickerson
>IPN CAL014
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>> Brent
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>> Community email addresses:
>> Post message: IPN-Dispatchers@egroups.com
>> Subscribe: IPN-Dispatchers-subscribe@egroups.com
>> Unsubscribe: IPN-Dispatchers-unsubscribe@egroups.com
>> List owner: IPN-Dispatchers-owner@egroups.com
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316. 2 Meter Ham Radio

Yahoo group: hamrailfans
Date: 2000-11-09 03:19:46 UTC
From: Tim Kilbride
Topic: 316 Message: 316

Group,

How many people here use a 2 Meter Ham Radio to talk to other Railfanners while out railfanning? Also in a book I have it says 146.490 is the Primary channel (freq), Does anybody ever use this and how much?

Thanks,
Tim Kilbride
Fonda

Also anybody here from Iowa?

317. RE: [hamrailfans] 2 Meter Ham Radio

Yahoo group: hamrailfans
Date: 2000-11-08 23:29:29 UTC
From: Stephen Craven
Topic: 316 Message: 317

Tim,
I often take my HT with me when I'm trackside. I even make and effort to listen to 146.49 when I'm there. Particularly for big events like when 261 went through the state. I've never picked up any traffic. Quite possibly in a more populated area like California there might be some traffic.

Stephen Craven, ka0zda
Hiawatha, Iowa
-----Original Message-----
From: Tim Kilbride [mailto:icrr1022@...]
Sent: Wednesday, November 08, 2000 9:20 PM
To: hamrailfans@egroups.com
Subject: [hamrailfans] 2 Meter Ham Radio

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318. Re: [hamrailfans] 2 Meter Ham Radio

Yahoo group: hamrailfans
Date: 2000-11-09 01:43:34 UTC
From: Chris Stubblefield
Topic: 316 Message: 318

On Wed, 8 Nov 2000 19:19:46 -0800 "Tim Kilbride" <icrr1022@...>
writes:
> Group,
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> Depends on who has a dual-band or extra VHF radio when there not
listening to RR I use it only occasionally.
Normally, I use 446.00 0r 446.500 as most people want to monitor the RR
on the VHF side. both -meter and 440 can be used with the 162 .2 tone

I rarely hear any railfans on either in the Northwest U.S.

Chris Stubblefield
amatuer radio 146.490/446.000
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319. Re: [hamrailfans] 2 Meter Ham Radio

Yahoo group: hamrailfans
Date: 2000-11-09 01:59:03 UTC
From: Neil McKie
Topic: 316 Message: 319

Chris Stubblefield wrote:

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> writes:
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> amateur radio 146.490/446.000
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I usually listen to a local 440 ham repeater ... or more interesting stuff when I'm out watching ... seldom will you find me on the 446.000 / 446.500 circuits. As Chris says, "I rarely hear any railfans on either in the Northwest U.S."

Neil McKie - WA6KLA ... Central Oregon ...

320. Re: [hamrailfans] 2 Meter Ham Radio

Yahoo group: hamrailfans
Date: 2000-11-09 22:54:29 UTC
From: Jeremy
Topic: 316 Message: 320

Chris
Do you ever monitor the 441.750 repeater that is near Longview?

Jeremy
N7RYY

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listening to RR I use it only occasionally.
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321. Re: [hamrailfans] 2 Meter Ham Radio

Yahoo group: hamrailfans
Date: 2000-11-10 03:22:55 UTC
From: Chris Stubblefield
Topic: 316 Message: 321

Sometimes I talk to Rob on it , you must be the one of the trustees. Lately I've been using the 444.875 (100.0pl) that is south of Randle at 5300' which is linked to Orchards (442.375 123.0-100.0pl's) and Baldi Mtn near Enumclaw in Eastern King County(442.625 100.0 pl) The 3 machines provide link coverage along Western Washington and Northwest Oregon. 123.0 is the stand alone tone for Orchards, However 441.750 does work better for me at my location.

Jeremy, and anyone else interested , you should try to make it down to pizza every Sun from 19:30 on in SE Portland at Roundtable (62nd and Holgate) Pizza, radios, computers, and occasionally trains .

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322. Fw: amatuer radio and the NP

Yahoo group: hamrailfans
Date: 2000-11-10 06:43:07 UTC
From: Chris Stubblefield
Topic: 322 Message: 322

Some of you may have seen this before, but since the list is less active these days i thought I would pass it along, from the May 1950 Northern Pacific Tell Tale magazine

What It Takes To Keep 'Em Rolling
The rains came, the temperature fell, ice formed on the wires,and the wind blew with unusual severity on March 7. Northern
Pacific wire communications were totally disrupted in western Minnesota and eastern North Dakota. The Fargo Division was
isolated--but not for long.
Amateur radio operators in Fargo, Moorehead, and even Louisiana and Texas, made their short-wave facilities available to the
railway company in the emergency, and for two days provided the only communicaitons between Fargo and Jamestown, N.D.
They also handled important telegrams between the Fargo Divisoin and the General Office in St. Paul, Minn., through the
cooperation of Twin City hams.
J[ack] T[homas] Stotler, Fargo Division Superintendent, paid high tribute over radio station KFGO Fargo to the 41 tireless
hams such as Ernest Anserson, Fargo, N.D.; John Liberg, Moorhead, Minn.; Robert Barr, Springhill, La.; William Mead,
Chico, Texas; and many others in Wisconsin, Minnesota, North Dakota, for their timely assistance in realying all messages to
keep 'em rolling.
-The Tell Tale, May 1950, p. 2

Allright, how many out there know what a "tell tale" is?

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323. Re: [hamrailfans] 2 Meter Ham Radio

Yahoo group: hamrailfans
Date: 2000-11-11 07:53:13 UTC
From: Jeremy
Topic: 316 Message: 323

Chris
Yeah that's me, I wouldn't call myself a trustee, I just go help out sometimes up at the sites. We're having power trouble right now at the site(It is a wind and generator powered site currently). Rob is heading up Sunday to try to get some new batt's up there. I have gone to pizza a few times, but I have to leave pretty early for work on Monday, sso I don't get down there too often. Especially lately I have been working in Southern Oregon and at the Oregon Coast lately and am gone all week. So the family likes to see me as much as possible when I am home. To keep this RR related, I have recently noted a Motorola trunked radio control channel on 161.280 in the Portland, OR area. Anyone have any ideas????? Also in Toledo, Oregon I saw a really old steam engine in pretty rough shape, I'll snap a digital picture of it on Monday when I go back if anyone is interested in it.
Jeremy
----- Original Message -----
From: Chris Stubblefield
To: hamrailfans@egroups.com
Sent: Thursday, November 09, 2000 7:22 PM
Subject: Re: [hamrailfans] 2 Meter Ham Radio

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324. Re: [hamrailfans] 2 Meter Ham Radio

Yahoo group: hamrailfans
Date: 2000-11-11 18:23:27 UTC
From: Chris Stubblefield
Topic: 316 Message: 324

On Fri, 10 Nov 2000 23:53:13 -0800 "Jeremy" <n7ryy@...> writes:
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Yes it is a trunked system a la Union Pacific. It has others channels as
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(20) some of the yard channels might be on it too Not sure if one of
those trunk trackers will follow it

It is based on the KGON tower in Portland

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325. RE: [hamrailfans] 2 Meter Ham Radio

Yahoo group: hamrailfans
Date: 2000-11-11 19:39:16 UTC
From: Stephen Craven
Topic: 316 Message: 325

Just a couple of things I can clear up on the Railroad trunked repeater in Portland.
I have been to the KGON site and played with the system for a bit. I know some or the UP folks from Omaha putting it in.
When they get done there will be control channel and 4 or 5 talk channels.
When I was there a month ago they only had the control channel and one talk channel The Base station is all Motorola, I forget which model. They are using Motorola and Transcrypt handhelds. The system is to be shared by both the UP and BNSF. It will be used for things like carmen in the yards and Railroad Police, not for dispatcher communications. The when they get done it should be a full up APCO25 system. That means fully digital audio, which I don't think a trunk-tracker will be able to demodulate.
This is part of an industry experiment to see about the practicalities and benefits of using APCO-25.

Stephen Craven, ka0zda

-----Original Message-----
From: Chris Stubblefield [mailto:mainstreeter@...]
Sent: Saturday, November 11, 2000 12:23 PM
To: hamrailfans@egroups.com
Subject: Re: [hamrailfans] 2 Meter Ham Radio

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326. Re: [hamrailfans] Fw: amateur radio and the NP

Yahoo group: hamrailfans
Date: 2000-11-14 06:04:43 UTC
From: Chris Stubblefield
Topic: 326 Message: 326

Yes it is and to others who knew this one, there were others explanations but this is the only one I can find . It was also the officail name of the Northern Pacific employee newsleter. Some of these devices may still be visible although becoming rare. I think there is still one in Olympia WA near the train tunnel that goes under the state capitol.

On Fri, 10 Nov 2000 16:55:08 EST K7DRX@... writes:
> Telltale? I THINK I know the answer to that....
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> Is it the device hanging above the track (looks like a bunch of
> ropes) when
> approaching a tunnel, bridge or other low clearance to warn trainmen
> who
> might be on top of the cars?

Also unauthorized persons as well.
>
> Right or wrong, it goes to show how smart dispatchers are!
>
> 73, Barney Hilbert

Chris Stubblefield KC7HTL
amatuer radio 146.490/446.000
pager 360-740-5039

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327. ADMIN NOTE

Yahoo group: hamrailfans
Date: 2000-11-21 03:37:26 UTC
From: David Epling
Topic: 261 Message: 327

From eGroups

>The eGroups site will be down Wednesday November 22nd,
>from 12:30am - 3:30am Pacific Standard Time (-0800 GMT).
>
>During this time, the web site will be unavailable, and mail will not be
>delivered. Mail sent during this time will be queued, and sent when the
>site is back.
>
>This downtime is to replace a transformer that was found to be defective
>during the last power maintenance at our colocation facility.
>
>Sorry for the inconvenience

David Epling - List Admin
Central California Traction: http://www.trainweb.org/tractionco
Central California Rails: http://cencalrails.railfan.net
Sacramento Modular Railroaders: http://saccentral.railfan.net
International Railfair: www.internationalrailfair.com

328. ICOM 2100H ?

Yahoo group: hamrailfans
Date: 2000-11-25 02:39:28 UTC
From: Tim Kilbride
Topic: 328 Message: 328

What does the ICOM 2100H have for a connection on the back? Is it PL-259 or BNC or what?

Thanks,
Tim

329. FCC action

Yahoo group: hamrailfans
Date: 2000-11-29 05:28:23 UTC
From: christopher Stubblefield
Topic: 329 Message: 329

From Altamontpress.com Newsline:

The FCC on Nov14 sent a warning notice to Union Pacific Railroad, citing monitoring information to indicate that the railroad had operated in simplex mode on 147.555 MHz in the Roseville area. FCC Special Counsel for Amateur Radio Enforcement Riley Hollingsworth noted that the frequency in question was assigned to the Amateur Service.

He noted that such operation was in violation of federal law and that such continued operation could result in a fine. He requested that the railroad to contact him within 10 days to discuss the matter. This is not the first time I've heard of something like this. Local hams are complaining about NS FRED's (my diagnosis, from their
reports) getting into their repeaters, which are on 147.090.

It turns out that the FRED's, which are on 161.115, have an exciter fundamental of 13.42625 MHz, or 1/12th the frequency. But multiply that exciter by 11, and you end-up with 147.68875, or 147.690, the ham repeater input. It's a spurious emission. I suspect the problem in Roseville is the same thing, on their hump frequency, 160.980.
Work the same formula, and you get 147.565, which is probably close enough to 147.555 (a popular packet frequency) to get somebody upset.
-Mike Musick

330. Re: [hamrailfans] FCC action

Yahoo group: hamrailfans
Date: 2000-11-29 05:55:28 UTC
From: stkntower@aol.com
Topic: 329 Message: 330

In a message dated 11/28/00 9:29:32 PM Pacific Standard Time,
mainstreeter@... writes:

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enough to 147.555 (a popular packet frequency) to get somebody upset.
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Anybody want to bet that the complaining party was probably technically
challenged. I am thinking along the lines of "code free",and someone who
doesnt know how to figure out the multiplication factor.

John
wa1rka

331. Re: [hamrailfans] FCC action

Yahoo group: hamrailfans
Date: 2000-11-29 10:41:25 UTC
From: Jim Ley
Topic: 329 Message: 331

John,

I wouldn't get so rough on the "codeless" ones. I know quite a few who
are pretty damned good ops. There's some Extras out there who are as
clueless as you imply... Class of license is NOT a factor.
As far as it goes, I think you're probably right. One other thing...
A PACKET channel? Who's fooling with that slow stuff with the Internet
going on. Hell, a good CW op can almost get more throughput on a
channel than 1200 baud packet can. So, ya gotta ask yourself... Who
are these guys???
I'd be willing to bet that the problem is:
A. Really CRUMMY maintenance by the UP techs. (No putdown here, would
you want to be doing their job?) or
B. Mr. Amateur Packet station is also running crummy equipment.
Your call...

Jim Ley
FCC First Phone #P1-12-23457
(Boy, I wish I'd gotten the Telegraph!)
73 de N6ECV

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332. Re: FCC Action

Yahoo group: hamrailfans
Date: 2000-11-29 18:40:40 UTC
From: Phil Kane
Topic: 332 Message: 332

> Date: Wed, 29 Nov 2000 02:41:25 -0800
> From: Jim Ley <jimn6lvi@...>

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>are these guys???

Me, for one. Ham radio - including packet - is Recreational
Radio. For Real Business I use a T-1 line (1.54 MB/sec) over
microwave.

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The bottom line is that if the spur is coming out of the UP
transmitter, they are, for regulatory purposes, "operating" on an
unauthorized frequency, irregardless of the type of equipment
used by the packeteer.

73 de Phil Kane - K2ASP
FCC District Director - Retired

Trainchaser and Photog - Active
From a Clearing in the Silicon Forest
Beaverton (Washington County), Oregon

333. Re: [hamrailfans] FCC action

Yahoo group: hamrailfans
Date: 2000-11-30 03:21:00 UTC
From: stkntower@aol.com
Topic: 329 Message: 333

Phil,
There is one other possibility that would place the problem neither in UP's equipment nor the packet user,and I have experienced it here once in a great while. That would be intermod, for the unenlightened that is when 2 signals mix together and produce a third. Kinda of like an IF strip in a receiver. Stockton is full of that interference and if Roseville has a good number of transmitters in the area then intermod would be a good bet,but as you said it could also be dirty equipment owned by UP. Depending on the make of the ham's equipment and his distance from the Roseville yard it could also be nothing but good old front end overload.

73
John
Wa1rka

334. Re: [hamrailfans] FCC action

Yahoo group: hamrailfans
Date: 2000-11-30 05:33:24 UTC
From: Chris Stubblefield
Topic: 329 Message: 334

I hear a spurious image on the 154.190 fire freq where I live, coming from the 443.525 machine on Capital Peak near Olympia WA, on my Yaesu dual band, other people have heard it too on their amatuer equip. However, I can not hear the 440 machine coming thru on my commercial Icom VHF radio, so I too think it may be design quality.

As far as the debate on no-code, "code free" or whatever, the last ism that amatuer radio needs is classism. Guys and gals, amatuer radio was losing too many licensed users and not gaining very many new ones, prior to the Commision changes in the late 1980's. Even private enterprise got into it , Ham Radio Outlet and others would not have been what they are had it not been for the availibility of Tech Plus. If we remain divded by a "that's the way I had to do it back then" attitude, we'll be doing the bidding for the private interests in their zeal to "aquire" what's left of the spectrum while we fight our petty battles.

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335. Re: [hamrailfans] FCC action

Yahoo group: hamrailfans
Date: 2000-11-30 07:29:34 UTC
From: stkntower@aol.com
Topic: 329 Message: 335

Chris,
I would suspect that its a design flaw with the dual band stuff. Especially if the commercial stuff isnt hearing it. Some of the problems that a friend of mine who works for Motorola has run into has been traced back to the actual synthesizer in the radios. The digital stuff is great,BUT it can lead to some surprises at times.

More than likely Chris when my current license expires I will just let it go. I have found that over the last few years my interests have changed and just about all the different modes have been worked with over a period of years. It was fun,but now that I am in my early 50's,I find it more fun to tackle home repairs, train chasing and of course computers. A good indicator that the service is still losing people,is by the number who arent bothering to renew their licenses. Especially those of my generation.

John
wa1rka

336. Re: [hamrailfans] Re: FCC Action

Yahoo group: hamrailfans
Date: 2000-11-30 12:15:33 UTC
From: Jim Ley
Topic: 332 Message: 336

Phil,

Sorry about the crack about packet radio. Actually, I have a packet setup with an old laptop and Baycom modem for emergency communication use (RACES) for my mobile. For THAT, it's GREAT! T-1 line? I'm jealous. I'm out in the country, five miles from fiber, so I'm stuck with about 28.8 on a dial-up. As far as my hammin' goes, right now I'm working on the Extra upgrade and mostly work VHF/UHF and ten meters, which is hotter than a two dollar pistol right now.
I suspect that John, WA1RKA may be right. There are a lot of poor receivers out there and the Roseville Yardmaster's radio is so powerful that it must be heard in Timbuktoo... Before UP changed the Cal-P Dispatcher 62 from 9696 to 4646, if I was trying to contact him on the Davis radio from Mikon (West Sacramento) to get my little podunk Yolo Shortline train across the Cal-P and the Roseville Yardmaster keyed up, he'd wipe us out. For quite a while, we didn't bother with the radio, just called on the cellphone. Now, all is well...
I'm assuming that someone checked things out with a spectrum analyzer before jumping on the UP, so maybe there is indeed a spur...
And John, WA1RKA. Please don't give up the hobby altogether. The K6POU 145.330/443.800 (PL 100.0) repeater system on Mt. Diablo is "Railroad Friendly". There are a few "Rails" there and the sponsor is into trains. If you catch me there at the right time in the evening, you can make a contact with a "Locomotive Mobile", as I always carry a handheld and mag mount for the cab roof. Hey, ten miles per hour for 10 miles can be boring. I can't talk while we're switching though. I need both hands and have to pay attention to the "other" radio...
BYW, the Dispatcher 62 that I usually talk to get back and forth across the Cal-P is the same Jamie Schmid who took the photo that's on the cover of the current Trains magazine. I'll call him on the cell tomorrow evening and give him an "attaboy". It's a NICE shot!

Jim Ley
73 de N6ECV

337. Re: FCC Action

Yahoo group: hamrailfans
Date: 2000-11-30 18:13:49 UTC
From: Phil Kane
Topic: 332 Message: 337

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> From: stkntower@...
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You sound like me when I "discovered" the Sheriff's Reserve and spent 1-1/2 years on the street in uniform patrol 3 nights a week. Although I did give up my ARRL membership (for 2 years) and my ham radio plates (for 4 years) I never give up my license. Then I "rediscovered" 2-meters and on the radio found my first "real girlfriend". This was 40 years ago.

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I've been away from the Bay Area for a year and a half now, but I remember that we used both K6POU repeaters for train-chasing quite often....plus the Sam Mateo "private" 440 machine on occasion.

I still check into the AREC Oregon Division One Net on 2-meters each night at 7:30 pm while I read my e-mail or web surf.....TV is a "vast wasteland" at that time unless I miss the "Law and Order" rerun on A&E earlier in the day.

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Hang in there, John.....

73 de Phil Kane - K2ASP

From a Clearing in the Silicon Forest
Beaverton (Washington County), Oregon

Retired and Loving Every Minute of It
Work was getting in the way of my hobbies

338. Re: FCC Action

Yahoo group: hamrailfans
Date: 2000-11-30 18:43:44 UTC
From: Phil Kane
Topic: 332 Message: 338

> Date: Thu, 30 Nov 2000 04:15:33 -0800
> From: Jim Ley <jimn6lvi@...>

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sort of work.

73 de Phil Kane - K2ASP

339. Repeater and Freqs for Sacremaento

Yahoo group: hamrailfans
Date: 2000-12-01 01:22:29 UTC
From: Robert Schoenfeld
Topic: 339 Message: 339

I may have a job in Sacremento and would like to know if I could aqccess
Mt Diablo from there Also what freqs does UP BNSF and shortlines in the
area use. Also is there a web pag with local nets like NAS ACS ARES RACES

73 de Bob

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340. Re: [hamrailfans] Repeater and Freqs for Sacremaento

Yahoo group: hamrailfans
Date: 2000-12-01 01:42:45 UTC
From: TK
Topic: 339 Message: 340

Here is a list that came from ScanNorCal list.

http://www.norcalscan.org/rail/radio.html

TK

341. Re: [hamrailfans] Repeater and Freqs for Sacremaento

Yahoo group: hamrailfans
Date: 2000-12-01 02:43:36 UTC
From: stkntower@aol.com
Topic: 339 Message: 341

Bob,
If you get a job in Sacramento,just look to your west for the tallest hill around and that will be Mt.Diablo. You can get into just about any repeater up there with as little as 1/10th watt as I have done it before,and that includes an ATV contact many years ago with a mobile station up there..

John
wa1rka

342. New to this list

Yahoo group: hamrailfans
Date: 2000-12-01 06:29:27 UTC
From: txrngr19@yahoo.com
Topic: 342 Message: 342

Hey all from North Georgia! Am new to this list and would appreciate any one from the Gwinnett, or Hall county areas to fill me in on the better freqs to monitor trains. Also, is there a simplex or rptr. freq to meet on?

Thanks very much,

Larry N8IAA
Sugar Hill, GA

343. Re: [hamrailfans] Repeater and Freqs for Sacremaento

Yahoo group: hamrailfans
Date: 2000-12-01 09:44:12 UTC
From: Jim Ley
Topic: 339 Message: 343

Bob,

John's information is correct. Mt. Diablo is a "walk in the park" from anywhere around Sacramento, the foothills, Stockton or the Delta.
UP mainly uses 9696 (161.550) in the Roseville area, 4646 (160.800) for the Cal-P line to Oakland, 3232 (160.590) for the "Hill" to Reno (I think) and who knows what else. BNSF and Amtrak in the Sacto. area run on UP and would use their freqs. Yolo Shortline (who I work for) uses 1010 (160.26)
Links to SOME of the local ham clubs are on my web pages at:
http://home.pacbell.net/jimn6lvi/radiolnk.htm
Give me a call sometime. I'm N6ECV and usually hang out on the 145.330/443.800 (PL 100.0) machines on Mt. Diablo. I've even been known to work locomotive mobile in the evening, on occasion...

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344. Re: [hamrailfans] Re: FCC Action

Yahoo group: hamrailfans
Date: 2000-12-01 10:11:45 UTC
From: Jim Ley
Topic: 332 Message: 344

Phil,

Thanks for your comments on the Roseville situation. Who knows what's going on over there? I hope it will be resolved to everyone's satisfaction. Since the FRA seems to control railroad radio activities to a greater degree than the FCC, I was a little surprised to hear about this deal. As if Riley doesn't have enough problems now...
While talking to Wendell, K6POU today on the radio, I mentioned that you and I have been corresponding and he sends his best regards. BTW, I've met you before, many years back. I worked with Lee Granlund for many years in his contract engineering outfit, Western Broadcast Services. I really enjoyed the work then, but so many things changed, none for the better...
Regarding my complaint about my slow internet connection, it's a small price to pay for being on five acres, with my horses in the back and almost unlimited opportunities for any kind of antenna farm I want. The limiting factor is an airport about 1/2 mile to the west, (we're off the side of the runway) but because of the terrain here, I have no need to go too high with any future towers. Besides, I'd hate it it their aluminum became entangled with my aluminum... I've been hearing about the two-way satellite systems for TV and internet, but they're just coming on line now and are still pretty pricey. I'll wait two or three years and have another look.

73 de N6ECV

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345. Re: [hamrailfans] ICOM 2100H ?

Yahoo group: hamrailfans
Date: 2000-12-01 12:24:44 UTC
From: KC8ljc@arrl.net
Topic: 328 Message: 345

The 2100H has a chassis mounted PL259.

Todd

346. Re: New to this list

Yahoo group: hamrailfans
Date: 2000-12-02 02:01:26 UTC
From: txrngr19@yahoo.com
Topic: 342 Message: 346

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347. Timetables available

Yahoo group: hamrailfans
Date: 2000-12-08 05:29:37 UTC
From: Wil Brubaker
Topic: 347 Message: 347

Fact is, I must needs get rid of my fairly large collection of public timetables. I live in the Philadelphia, Pa, area, so the collection is largely centered on this area----some specializing on the commuter lines of the former PRR and Reading railroads which were taken-over by Septa, the local transportation authority. Also some Amtrak, national and Northeast.

Some date from as far back as the 70's, up to 1998, when I just decided BAM I'm not gonna collect 'em anymore.

If you might be interested in buying some of them, EMail me direct at wil8apcc@..., glad to hear from you. If you're not interested in buying, I would still appreciate any thoughts you might have as to the forms of getting rid of them. I don't feature them finding a new home as part of a landfill or something. If you got some specific wants, EMail me, what's the worst I can say----ain't gots?

The wife is determined they must go, and you know how that is. Sees ya in the In-box, I hope.

Thanx, Wil Brubaker

348. Fw: Union Pacific radio trunking?

Yahoo group: hamrailfans
Date: 2000-12-12 07:22:18 UTC
From: Harry Marnell
Topic: 348 Message: 348

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----- Original Message -----
From: "Joseph Stein" <joes@...>
To: "NorthWest SCANner enthusiasts" <nwscan@egroups.com>
Sent: Monday, December 11, 2000 23:14
Subject: [nwscan] Union Pacific Railroad

Robert (Gheri) Smith posted an interesting message on the trunker mailing
list a couple of days ago, detailing a trunked-radio system (Motorola Type
II) that has been installed utilising AAR frequencies.

There hasn't been much traffic on it, except for what appear to be radio
shop tests; but here are the (repeater output) frequencies...

160.9800, 161.0550, 161.2800, 161.3550, and 161.4300.

There are conflicting reports of a BC245XLT being able to track this
system, as it uses 15KHz spacing... (the base frequency is 160.935 if you
want to try). It *seems* to work on MY BC245XLT (hasn't been modified),
but according to the owners manual, it won't. The only way I'll be sure
is when the system becomes busier.

If you are interested, the repeater is up on Council Crest; and this
appears to be the only trunked radio system that UP has licensed at this
time.

Happy monitoring

To Post a message, send it to: nwscan@...
To Unsubscribe, send a blank message to:
nwscan-unsubscribe@...
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349. Re: UP Trunked System

Yahoo group: hamrailfans
Date: 2000-12-12 17:19:30 UTC
From: Phil Kane
Topic: 349 Message: 349

> Date: Mon, 11 Dec 2000 23:22:18 -0800
> From: "Harry Marnell" <marnells@...>
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>----- Original Message -----
>From: "Joseph Stein" <joes@...>
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>is when the system becomes busier.

Just as the manual says, my R/S PRO-2066 (made by Uniden) won't
go into trunk mode when the system is not in the 800 MHz band.
I get "error" when I try to go into trunk mode, even though I
have lots of signal from Council Crest.

73 de Phil Kane - K2ASP
<railfan @ kanafi.org >

From a Clearing in the Silicon Forest
Beaverton (Washington County), Oregon

350. (fwd) [RailScan] (Fwd) Amtrak Train Hits a House

Yahoo group: hamrailfans
Date: 2000-12-24 21:25:09 UTC
From: Smokey Behr
Topic: 350 Message: 350

On Sun, 24 Dec 2000 15:46:57 -0500, "CGCOM" <cgcom@...> wrote:

And now for something completely different...

------- Forwarded message follows -------
Date sent: Sun, 24 Dec 2000 12:20:36 -0800
From: Bob Harbison
Organization: RailroadInfo.Com - http://www.railroadinfo.com
Subject: Amtrak Train Hits a House

An Amtrak Special train carrying Seattle Seahawk
fans home from the football game collided with a
house in Sumner, WA (South of Seattle). Amtrak
regularly runs football specials for the Hawks home
games.

The train was on it's trip back to Portland at
about 11 PM when it collided with the house
in the town of Sumner, WA. The house was
being moved, and was crossing the tracks on
a public grade crossing at the time of the collision.

The crossing has lights and gates, and they were
working. The house movers saw them come on,
but could not get the house off of the tracks in
time to avoid a collision.

It appears the engineer saw the obstacle, as the
train stopped not long after the collision. The
house was demolished, and what was left of it
was moved off the tracks with a trackhoe so
that the mainline could be re-opened.

You'll find a photo and article at the following URL:
http://www.king5.com/detailtopstory.html?StoryID=11068
--
Bob Harbison - Bob@...

http://www.RailroadData.com/rrlinks/ - Over 3,000 RR Links!
*** New features: What's Cool, Top Sites, Improved Search Engine ***
http://www.RailroadInfo.com - Railroad news, information and photos.
http://www.RailroadInfo.com/forums.html - Railroad Discussion Forums
------- End of forwarded message -------

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Direct Link To LIVE Audio Feed: http://railscan.webhop.net

Check Our US Railroad Radio Frequency Database:
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Click "Database" And Add Your Favorite Local Rail Frequencies.

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http://www.neopets.com/refer.phtml?username=smokeybehr

351. seasons greeting

Yahoo group: hamrailfans
Date: 2000-12-25 10:00:30 UTC
From: Merwin G. Dooley
Topic: 351 Message: 351

Holiday Greetings to all from Puget Sound area of the state of Washington, where a white Christmas means it's raining again.

Mer

352. Re: [hamrailfans] seasons greeting

Yahoo group: hamrailfans
Date: 2000-12-25 12:20:33 UTC
From: stkntower@aol.com
Topic: 351 Message: 352

Merry Christmas to everyone on the list from Bangor Maine, where I am indeed having a White Christmas. Some where around 5 inches on the ground.

John
wa1rka

353. Re: UP Trunked Radio System

Yahoo group: hamrailfans
Date: 2000-12-30 23:54:35 UTC
From: Phil Kane
Topic: 353 Message: 353

>----- Original Message -----
>From: "Joseph Stein" <joes@...>
>To: "NorthWest SCANner enthusiasts" <nwscan@egroups.com>
>Sent: Monday, December 11, 2000 23:14
>Subject: [nwscan] Union Pacific Railroad
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Anyone have any luck on this yet? (I suspect that this weekend will be super quiet.)

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73 de Phil Kane - K2ASP

354. Re: [hamrailfans] Re: UP Trunked Radio System

Yahoo group: hamrailfans
Date: 2000-12-31 02:53:39 UTC
From: Jim Ley
Topic: 353 Message: 354

During a recent trip to the Port Orchard, WA area for Christmas, I heard a lot of garbage that sounded like data on 7878 (161.28 mhz) VERY strong signal, heard from The Dalles to the east, as far north as Olympia, WA and as far south as Salem, OR. In light of the mention of this frequency being used as part of the trunked system, could what I heard be the data/control channel? It was always on...

Jim Ley
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355. Railroad Job Openings

Yahoo group: hamrailfans
Date: 2000-12-31 04:39:48 UTC
From: Harry Marnell
Topic: 355 Message: 355

Amtrak has 12 public openings for Assistant Conductors at San Jose, CA, application deadline is January 3, 2001.

Also, a consulting firm for the transit industry is looking for a Senior Radio Systems Engineeer.

These and other railroad employment links available on my webpage at:

http://www.snowcrest.net/marnells/railjobs.htm

Harry
http://www.snowcrest.net/marnells <~~<~~ Trains, Trolleys, radio stuff, etc...

356. Re: [hamrailfans] Re: UP Trunked Radio System

Yahoo group: hamrailfans
Date: 2000-12-31 09:24:04 UTC
From: Jeremy
Topic: 353 Message: 356

Yes 161.280 is the control channel for the UP trunked system on Healy Heights in Portland. I can track it with my Bearcat 245, just haven't heard any activity yet, in the limited time I have monitored it.
Jeremy
N7RYY
----- Original Message -----
From: Jim Ley
To: hamrailfans@egroups.com
Sent: Saturday, December 30, 2000 6:53 PM
Subject: Re: [hamrailfans] Re: UP Trunked Radio System

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357. [limarc] Illegal cordless phones (fwd)

Yahoo group: hamrailfans
Date: 2001-01-01 00:41:57 UTC
From: Robert Schoenfeld
Topic: 357 Message: 357

Got thisd off of one of my clubs reflector

73 de Bob

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+ +
+ e-mail:roberts@... _____ +
+ HomePage:http://www.liii.com/~roberts \ / +
+ \ / +
+ | +
+ WA2AQQ | +
+ | +
+ Home repeater LIMARC 146.85 +
+ +
+ These opinion are MINE and tough if you don't like them +
++++++++++++++++++++++++++++++++++++++++++++++++++++++++++++++++++++++++
Annoy a fascist confront him with the facts
The road of life is a railroad
From synergy@... Wed Sep 25 21:54:58 1996
Stupidity is bliss.
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---------- Forwarded message ----------
Date: Sun, 31 Dec 2000 19:15:03 EST
From: LINYHam@...
Reply-To: limarc@egroups.com
To: limarc@egroups.com
Subject: [limarc] Illegal cordless phones

I just received this from the repeater-builders E-Group about some new cordless home phones being sold on the market atound the world. Hopefully, none make it here to the states.
Ray
N2ZEM

Illegal cordless phones

Long range cordless telephones made in China that operate illegally on VHF frequencies including the amateur 2-metre band and television channels have appeared in a number of countries.
The handsets of one of these units found in Melbourne Australia looks very similar to the popular Nokia cellular phones except that it had a telescopic antenna.
Among the at least eight models produced by Nowa International Ltd are those branded "Sony" and "Nokia", although it is believed they may not be associated with either the Nokia or Sony companies.
Among the standard accessories for some of the units are car

chargers and handfree operation, making them easily useable in a car.
The multi-featured units that claim to have a range of up to 20kms include facilities commonly found on mobile phones - LED displays, selection of ringing tones, memory dialling, low battery indicator, telephone call time, and alarm clock.
Their base stations put out 12 watts of RF and include an external antenna that can be mounted on the roof of a building to extend their range.
Nowa International Ltd is marketing its product overseas as being "Not only cordless phone but Walky Talky" (sic).
The Australian Communications Authority (ACA) has told the WIA Victoria it had recently found five of the units operating in various parts of the country and confiscated each of them under the provisions of Radiocommunications Act.
The ACA said more are expected to be found as they are being brought into the country by people returning after travelling overseas on holiday or business trips.
It was alerted to one of them in the inner Melbourne suburb of Richmond after two radio amateurs, Steven VK3TSW and Tony VK3JED, tracked a signal coming from a shop.
The signal had been causing interference to an amateur 2-metre repeater operated by the emergency communications group WICEN Victoria some 30 kms away from the cordless phone.
The ACA told WIA Victoria it had tested the particularly unit and confirmed it was operating 5kHz below the input frequency of the repeater, and the handset used 226.45MHz which is Australian UHF TV channel 12.
Unsuspecting buyers of the cordless telephones in Australia not only faceconfiscation and possible prosecution for their use, but it seems the units be useless in many areas with the start this month of digital TV onchannel 12.
Many more of these units have already appeared in India where they are also illegal and causing severe interference to amateur repeaters, amateur satellites and other radio services.
Indian press reports said the units operate between 140 and 180MHz, although the units in Australia had a much higher frequency limit.
The cordless phones are very popular in a number of Indo-China region countries that do not have much amateur radio activity or other radio services using VHF.

(Jim Linton VK3PC, President, WIA Victoria)

To Post a message, send it to: limarc@...

To Unsubscribe, send a blank message to: limarc-unsubscribe@...

358. railroad trunking system in Portland, OR

Yahoo group: hamrailfans
Date: 2001-01-12 18:54:13 UTC
From: Jeremy
Topic: 358 Message: 358

I heard my first transmission on the VHF trunked system owned by Union Pacific in Portland. It was on talkgroup 32816 and it was an ASTRO digital transmission, I think. Here's hoping for a digital scanner to be available soon.
Jeremy

359. We've been assimilated - ADMIN NOTE

Yahoo group: hamrailfans
Date: 2001-01-26 20:07:02 UTC
From: David Epling
Topic: 359 Message: 359

Just for your information. Egroups have now moved over to Yahoo! If you have groups, or are sub to any groups, and that's everyone here, who is willing to of course, will need to go to http://groups.yahoo.com/convwiz and convert your account.

David Epling
Central California Rails: http://cencalrails.railfan.net
Central California Traction: http://www.trainweb.org/tractionco
California Northern: http://www.trainweb.org/calnorthern
International Railfair: http://www.internationalrailfair.com

360. Re: [hamrailfans] We've been assimilated - ADMIN NOTE

Yahoo group: hamrailfans
Date: 2001-01-26 20:30:15 UTC
From: Neil McKie
Topic: 359 Message: 360

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> http://groups.yahoo.com/convwiz and convert your account.
>
> How do you do that?
>
> Neil McKie
>

361. Fw: O. Winston Link -- RIP

Yahoo group: hamrailfans
Date: 2001-01-31 14:20:35 UTC
From: Harry Marnell
Topic: 361 Message: 361

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----- Original Message -----
From: "Bruce Harper" <bharper@...>
To: <RAILROAD@...>
Sent: Wednesday, January 31, 2001 06:10
Subject: O. Winston Link -- RIP

> Reported in this morning's Roanoke Times, the death of photographer
> O. Winston Link, at
> http://www.roanoke.com/roatimes/news/story106529.html
>
> Because the Norfolk and Western was the central theme of Link's
photographs,
> he had a great following in and around Roanoke. He recently started to
> push Norfolk Southern to do something positive with the Class A 1218.
> There is a move to create a Link museum in the to-be-renovated Roanoke
> N&W passenger station.
>
> Not a good day in Roanoke, this following on the fire at the historic
> Virginian Railway station.
>
> Bruce in Blacksburg
> Bruce in Blacksburg === In the heart of N&W territory. ===
>
>
> Bruce B. Harper (540)231-4360
> University Relations/Electronic Publications bharper@...
> Virginia Tech Blacksburg, Virginia 26060
> See N&W WWW Page at http://filebox.vt.edu/users/bharper/nwrwy/
>
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362. Yahoo! Groups Moderator News (ADMIN NOTE)

Yahoo group: hamrailfans
Date: 2001-01-31 17:32:19 UTC
From: David Epling
Topic: 362 Message: 362

Yahoo decided to let the List owners in on a few things, I am passing it on to you of the CalRailfans, HamRailfans, and Sacramento Northern Lists:

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=====================================================================
Yahoo! Groups Moderator News
January 2001
=====================================================================

Dear Yahoo! Groups Moderator,

We'd like to officially welcome you to Yahoo! Groups, the new service
that incorporates eGroups technology. If you haven't done so, please
check out the new website:

http://groups.yahoo.com

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GETTING STARTED - SIGNING IN:
---------------------------------------------------------------------

All you have to do to access your groups on the web site is to link
your current eGroups account(s) to a Yahoo! ID using our wizard. (If
you don't use the web site, you won't need to link your accounts.)

The process is simple:

1. Go to the wizard:
http://groups.yahoo.com/convwiz

2. Tell us the eGroups account you'd like to link to a Yahoo! ID.
(Your account is the email address you've used to sign in to the
eGroups service.)

3. Tell us the Yahoo! ID you'd like to link your account to. If you
don't have a Yahoo! ID, you can register for one at that time.

4. If you have multiple eGroups accounts, you need to go through the
wizard more than once. You can link up to 5 accounts per Yahoo! ID.

IMPORTANT NOTES:
* Please remember that your groups have not moved. They are still
here! All you are doing is establishing a Yahoo! ID log-in to access
them via the web site.
* Old URLs and email addresses will continue to work.

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WHAT'S NEW / WHAT'S STILL THE SAME
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All the features you know and love about eGroups are now part of Yahoo! Groups. In addition, we've added some new functionality that we hope you'll enjoy.

WHAT'S NEW:

Yahoo! Groups has lots of new features and even better customization. You can:

* Chat with other group members using our improved Yahoo! Chat.

* Add a splash of color to your group, or a group home page photo, all without knowing HTML.

* See when group members are online and communicate with them in real time using Yahoo! Messenger.

* Reach a larger audience. You will have the entire Yahoo! network of communications and communities services at your doorstep.

And much, much more to come!

WHAT'S STILL THE SAME:

* All eGroups email and web addresses will continue to work. You can still send email to <groupname>@egroups.com, <groupname>@onelist.com as well as <groupname>@yahoogroups.com
(Your members will receive all mail from <groupname>@yahoogroups.com)

* All of your group information including messages, calendar events, and your entire membership have been maintained.

* Yahoo! Groups remains a free service

WHAT'S NEXT?
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* International sites: We'll soon begin to internationalize Yahoo! Groups. In the interim, you can continue to use the international versions of eGroups.

* Clubs integration: We plan to integrate Yahoo! Clubs into Yahoo! Groups later this year. The service will offer all of the previous Clubs features, as well as other enhancements.

MORE RESOURCES

Below are some places to stay informed and to communicate with others about the service:

* Yahoo! Groups Chat Event: Chat with a member of the Yahoo! Groups team on Thursday, February 1, 2001 at 4:00 PM EST. Log in on

Thursday to participate:
http://chat.yahoo.com/

* Yahoo! Groups Help Center: detailed FAQs regarding the service.
http://help.yahoo.com/help/groups/

* Discussion Groups:

EmailList-Managers: for anybody who has ever moderated a list
whether on Yahoo! Groups or on other services.
http://groups.yahoo.com/group/EmailList-Managers

egroups-discuss-managers: a group for discussion and questions
concerning the eGroups service, primarily oriented towards
moderators. The group is moderated and monitored by Yahoo! Groups
Staff.
http://groups.yahoo.com/group/egroups-discuss-managers

ListHelp: a friendly place to find help and hints for managing,
owning, promoting your group/email list
http://groups.yahoo.com/group/ListHelp

Merger: read about previous merger discussions and participate
in new ones in our moderated merger discussion group:
http://groups.yahoo.com/group/Merger

* Merger FAQ: for detailed questions and answers about the merger,
please visit:
http://help.yahoo.com/help/us/groups/info

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On behalf of everyone here at Yahoo! Groups, thanks for being a
group moderator on our service.

Sincerely,

The Yahoo! Groups team

You are receiving this because you are subscribed to:
egroups-moderator-news@yahoogroups.com

To remove yourself from further mailings, reply to this message.

363. Mt Tam and other audio-video links

Yahoo group: hamrailfans
Date: 2001-02-07 15:08:08 UTC
From: Harry Marnell
Topic: 363 Message: 363

I've finally got all the Mt Tamalpais formats uploaded and/or linked, and added a hyperlink to my a-building "dial-a-disaster" page, at

http://www.snowcrest.net/marnells/mttam.htm

Harry
http://www.snowcrest.net/marnells
http://en.egroups.ca/mygroups << Where it's still "EGROUPS!" with your OLD passwords and everything. For now anyway. (It's the Canadian site)

364. (fwd) Train Fire?

Yahoo group: hamrailfans
Date: 2001-02-08 06:26:12 UTC
From: Smokey Behr
Topic: 364 Message: 364

Anyone have info on this?

On Wed, 7 Feb 2001 18:08:13 -0800, "Karl Dahlquist"
<karldahlquist@...> wrote:

>Anyone up in Mojave....?!?
>
>
>
>Incident: 1291 Type: Report of Fire Location: WB SR58 JWO CALIFORNIA CITY
>BLVD Map Page: 23 5J Info as of: 2/7/2001 6:00:35 PM
>
>ADDITIONAL DETAILS
>5:40PM - TRAIN ENGINE ON FIRE
>

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Smokey Behr
Come see our ratties! http://connect.to/ratcam
Come visit twofatladies and DocHattori, my NeoPets!
http://www.neopets.com/refer.phtml?username=smokeybehr

365. Fw: [socalscan] Interactive scanner

Yahoo group: hamrailfans
Date: 2001-02-09 04:48:49 UTC
From: Harry Marnell
Topic: 365 Message: 365

Punch in 160.92 at the bottom for Wash DC area Amtrak...

----- Original Message -----
From: <tracy@...>
To: <socalscan@yahoogroups.com>
Sent: Thursday, February 08, 2001 19:50
Subject: [socalscan] Interactive scanner

> I ran across this web site and thought I'd share it. You can program
> a scanner over the internet and listen to it live. Very cool.
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>
> http://speed.nimh.nih.gov/listener/ralistener.html
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>
> Tracy
> www.freqofnature.com
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366. Getting yard permissions

Yahoo group: hamrailfans
Date: 2001-02-24 17:33:21 UTC
From: Smokey Behr
Topic: 366 Message: 366

There's a small yard in town that's pretty well stocked up with YouPee and other power, and I was wondering how I go about getting permission to wander around the yard taking pictures of the equipment for posterity/posting/personal enjoyment?

I know that talking to the yardmaster is a first step, and there's a necessity of having the right apparel (steel toe boots, long pants, brain bucket) but what else? Any suggestions from the list that would make the process easier?

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http://www.neopets.com/refer.phtml?username=smokeybehr

367. Re: [hamrailfans] Getting yard permissions

Yahoo group: hamrailfans
Date: 2001-02-24 18:27:33 UTC
From: Neil McKie
Topic: 366 Message: 367

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> http://www.neopets.com/refer.phtml?username=smokeybehr

Neil McKie

368. Re: [hamrailfans] Getting Yard Permission

Yahoo group: hamrailfans
Date: 2001-02-25 16:52:05 UTC
From: Phil Kane
Topic: 368 Message: 368

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>> make the process easier?

Neil added:

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Make that brain bucket white and you'll be all set - in the
EssPee days, that was the symbol of an "officer" (the SP term
for a salaried employee) who generally could wander anywhere.

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==> Watch the Doors <==
Phil Kane

From a Clearing in the Silicon Forest
Beaverton (Washington County), Oregon
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369. Seattle area RR audio online?

Yahoo group: hamrailfans
Date: 2001-02-28 23:18:49 UTC
From: Harry Marnell
Topic: 369 Message: 369

Anybody know of any Seattle area railroad audio on the internet? I have the police scanner and Fire CAD, but no rails..

harry

For some exciting recorded incidents and direct online scanner links, check out http://www.snowcrest.net/marnells/audiolinks.htm

370. Earthquake info (fwd)

Yahoo group: hamrailfans
Date: 2001-03-01 04:06:34 UTC
From: Smokey Behr
Topic: 370 Message: 370

On Wed, 28 Feb 2001 14:21:09 -0800, "Philip Humes"
<kf6gnh@...> wrote:

>Seattle Tacoma airport is open, but it the option of the airlines wether to
>have anyone arrive or depart.
>
>Two AMTRACK trains stranded for 3-4 hours until the tracks can be inspected
>for damage
>
>Ferries in operation (via FEMA) although some of the docks may be damaged.
>
>KING TV Seattle on MSNBC.
>
>
>Philip Humes

--
Smokey Behr
Come see our ratties! http://connect.to/ratcam
Come visit twofatladies and DocHattori, my NeoPets!
http://www.neopets.com/refer.phtml?username=smokeybehr

371. Re: [hamrailfans] Seattle area RR audio online?

Yahoo group: hamrailfans
Date: 2001-03-01 06:47:19 UTC
From: Chris Stubblefield
Topic: 369 Message: 371

Don't know of any Harry, sorry. There was a major shutdown of the BNSF main between Seattle and Olympia. 6 miles of track in the Nisqually area was damaged, inspectors as of 4 pm had only made it to Kent WA. I-5 overcrossing of BNSF main at Chehalis was closed for auto traffic and a detour was established until 21:00 As of 19:30, I heard a track warrant released at MP 37 (near East Olympia) authorizing 25mph. Will know more tomorow.
Warehouse at work(2 miles from State Capitol) shook really hard and there were rollers too. (30-45 secs.) Damage was isolated to Downtown Olympia (older buildings) area Some bridges severly damaged (4th ave), Deschutes Parkway closed around Capitol Lake. Curious about short lines in the area too, haven't heard anything (Puget Sound and Pacific)

Chris Stubblefield KC7HTL
amatuer radio 146.490/446.000
pager 360-740-5039

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372. Power lines down across BNSF in Tehachapi area

Yahoo group: hamrailfans
Date: 2001-03-05 00:22:24 UTC
From: Harry Marnell
Topic: 372 Message: 372

CHPs URL is http://cad.chp.ca.gov/ii.asp?Center=BFCC&LogNumber=0166D0304

read up from the bottom

harry marnell

----- Original Message -----
From: "Karl Dahlquist" <karldahlquist@...>
To: <marnells@...>
Sent: Sunday, March 04, 2001 16:14
Subject: RE: [socalscan] Audio of CHP/CalTrans in grapevine area??

Incident: 0166 Type: Traffic Hazard Location: SR43 JNO SR58 Map Page: 17
7J Info as of: 3/4/2001 4:20:03 PM

ADDITIONAL DETAILS
3:17PM - PG&E ETA 10
3:15PM - 1039 BURLINGTON SANTA FE RR
3:15PM - PER PG&E / 1097 / ADV BOTH LINES STILL ENGERGIZED - TRFC CROSSING
DOUBLE YEL - WB 58 / SEE IF BW CAN CLOSE IT ON THEIR END / 92 CAN TURN WB
TRFC AROUND
3:13PM - ADV CALTRANS FOR CLOSURE ON 58 300 WEST OF 43 / ALREADY 1039
KCFD/PG&E.K/209
2:43PM - 1097 AT NORTH END
2:36PM - 1039 KCFD AS REQ BY FIRE - ALL PG&E REQ GO THROUGH THEM
2:32PM - PER KCFD - THEY CAN ONLY REACH PG&E BY PRIORITY FAX - WILL FAX
AGAIN AND CALL BACK WITH ETA
2:28PM - 92 AFTERNOONS 1097 - STATES THIS IS TOO MUCH OF A HAZARD TO CLEAR /
NEEDS PG&E TO RES AND WANTS ETA

RESPONDING OFFICERS STATUS
2:32PM - CHP Unit On Scene
4:03PM - CHP Unit On Scene

373. OT: A little Amtrak humor (from the Brass Switchkey newsletter)

Yahoo group: hamrailfans
Date: 2001-03-05 01:44:18 UTC
From: Smokey Behr
Topic: 373 Message: 373

Amtrak Humor from John Walker...and the beet goes on

No doubt many people have heard about the recent incident where two Amtrak Engineers out of Needles, California stopped their train to duke it out over one of them smoking in the cab. Ed Von Nordeck wrote:

Amtrak's response to engineers fighting on duty

Amtrak announced today that, "Effective immediately, all future job assignments for Amtrak Engineers and Assistant Engineers will be made by weight class, e.g., middleweight, light-heavyweight, etc. If an engineer cannot be paired up with another engineer of the same weight class, they will be required to accept an assignment with an engineer of the next heavier weight class, or go to the bottom of the board. Don King has been hired as head of Crew Utilization.

~Boxing gloves and mouthguards have been ordered and will be issued as soon as they become available. However, Amtrak will not require engineers to wear headguards as it was determined that the risk of brain damage to a locomotive engineer is extremely minimal.

~Conductors will be designated as referees, and all decisions are final.

~Losing engineers will be required to carry winning engineers' grips from the engine to the crew room and place them in the winners' vehicle if instructed to do so by the winner.

~Conductors will not be permitted to hold passengers' cash bets nor participate in the betting unless deadheading. The UTU has also successfully negotiated one additional crew member per train who will be designated as Second Assistant Conductor/Ring Girl.

~On-board food service personnel may work as ring corner-men during hours when the dining car is not open, but must wash their hands thoroughly before returning to work.

~Lounge car attendants must remain at their posts during the bouts.

~Baggagemen may not work as ring corner-men until all checked baggage has been handled.

~Flagmen may not work as ring corner-men at any time, unless train is in CTC territory, protected by at least two signals to the rear, or has been relieved by the Dispatcher of protection as required by Rule 99."

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John "Smokey Behr" Gleichweit
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Incident Paging Network California Chapter Admin.
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List Owner: IPN_Members@...
List Owner: IPN-CAL@YahooGroups.com

374. And the carnage continues along the Metrolink tracks.

Yahoo group: hamrailfans
Date: 2001-03-15 04:35:44 UTC
From: Smokey Behr
Topic: 374 Message: 374

http://dailynews.yahoo.com/h/2000/20010314/lo/336012_1.html

Freight Train Kills Wheelchair-Bound Man

A man who guided his wheelchair onto railroad tracks in the North Hills area Wednesday afternoon was killed when he was struck by a freight train traveling at more than 40 mph, authorities said.

It's unclear at this point whether the victim was trying to beat the train or intentionally put himself in harm's way.

"We don't know what motivated the gentleman," Los Angeles Police Department spokesman Greg Meyer told CBS 2 News. "Unfortunately, this tragedy resulted."

Witnesses told police that the victim's motorized wheelchair got stuck on the tracks in the 8000 block of Balboa Boulevard just before a Union Pacific train arrived.

An unidentified woman rushed to the man's aid, making a valiant attempt to move him out of the path of the oncoming train with only seconds to spare.

"The lady who tried to assist him apparently was knocked down by the impact," Meyer said. "She received some injuries. She was transported to a local hospital and is undergoing treatment."

The train dragged the physically handicapped man more than 100 feet before finally depositing his body adjacent to the tracks.

He was pronounced dead at the scene by paramedics.

LAPD spokesman Don Cox said that answers to what happened probably lie with the 30-year-old woman who tried to save the victim.

"As of now, she's holding all the answers," Cox told a local news wire.

According to witness statements, the crossing arms on either side of tracks were lowered and the train was blaring its horn well in advance of its arrival.

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375. Vehicle vs. Metrolink

Yahoo group: hamrailfans
Date: 2001-03-14 05:01:27 UTC
From: Smokey Behr
Topic: 375 Message: 375

I caught a quick blurb about 0706 about a vehicle into the Metrolinkin
the LA area. SkyFox (KTTV 11) was headed to get live shots of the
incident, but I might have missed it. Anyone else in the LA area catch
this, or have more info? I'll watch the media for any more info
myself.
--
John "Smokey Behr" Gleichweit
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376. Old callsign K6QFI

Yahoo group: hamrailfans
Date: 2001-03-25 16:54:05 UTC
From: Harry Marnell
Topic: 376 Message: 376

I don't know how far back "callbooks" go, but was wondering if anyone could help find ANY info about amateur station K6QFI

It's not a current license, I checked all the databases. It supposedly belonged to LAPD's old "drunk farm" in northern L.A. County. All the info I have is that it was built and operated by inmates/trustees at the facility, probably through most of the 1950s, anyway. It was used "during the Geophysical Year (1957-58), for 24 hours a day monitoring of scientific data being shortwaved home by scientific explorers and forwarded to the ARRL, West Hartford, Connecticut, for transmission to federal authorities."

I'd like to add this info to my LAPD Communications History page at http://www.snowcrest.net/marnells/kma367.htm

Any help gratefully appreciated...and acknowledged!

TIA

Harry Marnell / N6URU

377. Re: [hamrailfans] Old callsign K6QFI

Yahoo group: hamrailfans
Date: 2001-04-05 01:18:34 UTC
From: Neil McKie
Topic: 376 Message: 377

Harry Marnell wrote:
>
> I don't know how far back "callbooks" go, but was wondering if anyone
> could help find ANY info about amateur station K6QFI

I do have some *old* call books ... but haven't been here long enough
to go looking ... yet. Did you get an answer from anywhere else?

> It's not a current license, I checked all the databases. It
> supposedly belonged to LAPD's old "drunk farm" in northern L.A.
> County. All the info I have is that it was built and operated
> by inmates/trustees at the facility, probably through most of the
> 1950s, anyway. It was used "during the Geophysical Year (1957-58),
> for 24 hours a day monitoring of scientific data being shortwaved
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> Hartford, Connecticut, for transmission to federal authorities."
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> http://www.snowcrest.net/marnells/kma367.htm
>
> Any help gratefully appreciated...and acknowledged!
>
> TIA
>
> Harry Marnell / N6URU

Hello?

I was in Palo Cedro (10? miles east of Redding, California?) last
Saturday ... is that any where near you?

If so, sorry to have missed meeting you (somehow) ...,

Neil McKie - WA6KLA ...

378. Re: [hamrailfans] Old callsign K6QFI

Yahoo group: hamrailfans
Date: 2001-04-05 01:32:06 UTC
From: Harry Marnell
Topic: 376 Message: 378

Hello, Neil -

I was at the Palo Cedro thing for just a little while in the afternoon. I live over at the coast in Ferndale, Humboldt County....about a 3 hour drive.

About four hours after posting my request to you and several email groups, I received THIS email:

----- Original Message -----
From: "S. H. Moate" <bmoate@...>
To: "Harry Marnell" <marnells@...>
Sent: Sunday, March 25, 2001 14:24
Subject: Re: Old callsign K6QFI

"Hi Harry, I am the policeman who was licensed to station K6QFI in the 50s and early 60s and will be pleased to send you any information you wish. I retired from LAPD in 1966. Let me know what you need. 73, W6zem
- Bill Moate"

The kicker is that I live in Ferndale CA, he lives in Fortuna, CA...about 6 miles away!

harry

379. Re: [hamrailfans] Old callsign K6QFI

Yahoo group: hamrailfans
Date: 2001-04-05 03:09:54 UTC
From: Neil McKie
Topic: 376 Message: 379

Harry Marnell wrote:
>
> Hello, Neil -
>
> I was at the Palo Cedro thing for just a little while in the
> afternoon. I live over at the coast in Ferndale, Humboldt
> County....about a 3 hour drive.

Too bad I didn't know ... Next time?

We came in from Dunsmuir Saturday morning. Last time I was in Dunsmuir was the morning of the near Castle Crags UP derailment in February. I went to look that morning - Feb 15th - then headed for Redding - later Sacramento for a weekend meeting.

After EmComm was over with, we went to Eureka for the night staying in the Eureka Ramada - dinner in the very near Denny's. Had hoped to dine at the Samoa Cookhouse ... but arrived in town too late. I hadn't been there in many years ... but still have fond memories from the last time - what? 25? 30? years ago?

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> groups, I received THIS email:
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> To: "Harry Marnell" <marnells@...>
> Sent: Sunday, March 25, 2001 14:24
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> information you wish. I retired from LAPD in 1966. Let me know
> what you need. 73, W6zem
> - Bill Moate"
>
> The kicker is that I live in Ferndale CA, he lives in Fortuna,
> CA...about 6 miles away!
>
> harry

Interesting ... how fortunate for you.

73,

Neil McKie - WA6KLA ...

380. FT470/FT411E battery?

Yahoo group: hamrailfans
Date: 2001-04-14 05:22:10 UTC
From: Harry Marnell
Topic: 380 Message: 380

Can someone clue me in on a good source for batteries for my aging (but spry) FT470 & FT411E? Are there NiMH batts available for them? How do they perform.

I've used Yaesu's own batteriess, wondering if there's better out there.
TIA

73
Harry Marnell / N6URU
http://www.snowcrest.net/marnells/officer.htm <~<~ Have you heard the North Hollywood Shootout???

381. Re: [hamrailfans] FT470/FT411E battery?

Yahoo group: hamrailfans
Date: 2001-04-14 16:56:32 UTC
From: Robert Foster
Topic: 380 Message: 381

Pryme has some http://www.prymebattery.com/batterypacks/yaesu.asp one for about $29. Hope that helps. RadioShack carries batteries like that, but they are MUCH more expensive.

-Robert Foster
KG6EAQ

382. A good combination today

Yahoo group: hamrailfans
Date: 2001-04-15 06:52:21 UTC
From: stkntower@aol.com
Topic: 382 Message: 382

Had some time today prior to heading back to my new home in Maine on Monday and decided to get in a little railfanning at the old Stockton Tower area. While waiting for a friend of mine to show up, I decided to turn on my HF Mobile equipment. Well for about 15 minutes I was busy watching trains and at the same time talking to a station in Tokyo.

During the 2 hours I was around the tower area, it wasnt real busy but what did come thru was worth the time spent. Several SP locos, and one WB was almost all fallen flag boxcars and flatcars. Added to my WP collection and also saw a Route Rock with the Rock Island reporting marks still visible. All in all not a bad way to end my Calif railfanning for this trip.

73
John
stkntower@...
http://stkntower.railfan.net

383. Radio identification help

Yahoo group: hamrailfans
Date: 2001-04-15 17:26:58 UTC
From: Smokey Behr
Topic: 383 Message: 383

The guys over at Batlabs need some help identifying this control head. They are saying it's some kind of railroad control head, which by its appearance looks like a 4-channel head, probably off a Micor or Mitrek. It looks to me like a 70's vintage, and a railroad version of the Micor was made. Take a look, and let them know at batlabs@...

http://www.batlabs.com/images/rr.jpg
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John "Smokey Behr" Gleichweit
mailto:n5vzq@...
IPN-CAL086 N5VZQ WNRW769
Incident Paging Network California Chapter Admin.
List Owner: SoCalFire@...
List Owner: IPN_Members@...
List Owner: IPN-CAL@...

384. Re: [hamrailfans] Radio identification help

Yahoo group: hamrailfans
Date: 2001-04-15 18:53:18 UTC
From: Neil McKie
Topic: 383 Message: 384

Smokey Behr wrote:
>
> The guys over at Batlabs need some help identifying this control head.
> They are saying it's some kind of railroad control head, which by its
> appearance looks like a 4-channel head, probably off a Micor or
> Mitrek. It looks to me like a 70's vintage, and a railroad version of
> the Micor was made. Take a look, and let them know at
> batlabs@...
>
> http://www.batlabs.com/images/rr.jpg

Looks like an old AAR control head to me ... might even have the
manual on it somewhere.

> --
> John "Smokey Behr" Gleichweit
> mailto:n5vzq@...
> IPN-CAL086 N5VZQ WNRW769
> Incident Paging Network California Chapter Admin.
> List Owner: SoCalFire@...
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> List Owner: IPN-CAL@...

Neil McKie - WA6KLA ...

385. Re: [hamrailfans] Radio identification help

Yahoo group: hamrailfans
Date: 2001-04-16 06:55:18 UTC
From: Jim Ley
Topic: 383 Message: 385

Bingo! This is a Motorola control head, that was commonly used in RR applications. I've also seen them installed in transit buses. We have a bunch of them in Portola. The volume control knob is missing from this one...
I have one that has a faded "SP 3033" on the speaker grille, in magic marker. That's right! The Train Master...

Jim Ley

73 de N6ECV

Neil McKie wrote:
>
> Smokey Behr wrote:
> >
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> > John "Smokey Behr" Gleichweit
> > mailto:n5vzq@...
> > IPN-CAL086 N5VZQ WNRW769
> > Incident Paging Network California Chapter Admin.
> > List Owner: SoCalFire@...
> > List Owner: IPN_Members@...
> > List Owner: IPN-CAL@...
>
> Neil McKie - WA6KLA ...
>
>
>
> Your use of Yahoo! Groups is subject to http://docs.yahoo.com/info/terms/

386. Re: RR frequency and police calls

Yahoo group: hamrailfans
Date: 2001-04-16 19:01:59 UTC
From: Harry Marnell
Topic: 386 Message: 386

For several years, maybe ten or more, the FCC has been issuing locally unused "LR" railroad frequencies mainly to police agencies. In fact, the specific frequency assignments are becoming blurred entirely. Most of the business, comstruction, industrial, trucking etc frequencies are now in one BIG pool, "IG - Industrial/Business Pool, Conventional" and public safety, which used to be PP (Police), PF (Fire), PL (Local Govt), PH (Highway) etc are all in one "PW - Public Safety Pool, Conventional"

But to be more specific, Fresno County Sheriff has had 160.59, 160.695 and 160.545 since Oct 04, 1993; Placer County SO has 160.545, 161.265, 161.5050 and 160.665 since at least 1999. So it's not really a "fluke." With all the railroad mergers, and increased use of Nextel/cellphones (and yes, ever FRS!) by the rails, there has developed some "excess capacity" within the tradional railroad Radio Service.

There are a lot of public-safety agencies that WON'T be going to 800-band soon if ever, but they WILL be going to digital modulation before too many years. Probably the RRs as well. I saw an article about RR-digital stuff somewhere on this internet thing over the weekend, as a matter of fact. But I don't remember where, or what it said, or if I even read beyond the headlines.

I'm trying to START a rumor that Uniden/Bearcat has a digital-capable scanner due out before Christmas, but it's not spreading very fast. Yet. Besides not being true..

Harry
http://www.snowcrest.net/marnells <~ Been here lately? Trains, trolleys, radios, cop stuff, "Dial-A-Disaster" etc

----- Original Message -----
From: "Huggins, Michael" <michael.huggins@...>
To: <Calrailfans@yahoogroups.com>
Sent: Monday, April 16, 2001 11:29
Subject: RE: [Calrailfans] RR frequency and police calls

> At the Roseville gathering last month all of us also picked up police
> chatter on our programmed railroad frequencies and had to lock out the
> channels. I think this might be a common occurrence with smaller police
> agencies who haven't updated thier equipment to 800 and higher
frequencies.
>
> Mococo Mike
>
> > -----Original Message-----
> > From: carolv2424@... [SMTP:carolv2424@...]

> > Sent: Monday, April 16, 2001 11:20 AM
> > To: Calrailfans@yahoogroups.com; Headsupcoastfans@yahoogroups.com
> > Subject: [Calrailfans] RR frequency and police calls
> >
> > Driving up from Bakersfield on I-5 yesterday afternoon, somewhere in the
> > area
> > of Coalinga and continuing to highway 152, my scanner picked up police
> > activity which sounded to be in the Fresno area. The channel was FAP
32
> >
> > 160.590. I thought these channels were assigned only to railroads. Was
> > this
> > some kind of fluke?
> > C.

387. Re: [Calrailfans] RR Radio Control Head

Yahoo group: hamrailfans
Date: 2001-04-16 22:14:37 UTC
From: Phil Kane
Topic: 387 Message: 387

> Date: Sun, 15 Apr 2001 17:12:55 -0700
> From: "Howard P. Wise" <sp5623@...>
> Subject: Re: Radio identification help
>
>Smokey Behr wrote:
>>
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>> They are saying it's some kind of railroad control head, which by its
>> appearance looks like a 4-channel head, probably off a Micor or
>> Mitrek. It looks to me like a 70's vintage, and a railroad version of
>> the Micor was made. Take a look, and let them know at
>> batlabs@...
>>
>This is the standard Micor 4 channel head, used throughout the early
>S.P. power. There is one of them in the 5623 and photos of it can be
>seen on the cab details page. I can provide a wiring diagram if needed.

It's a Motorola TCN6056 Railroad Motrac control head -- pre Micor, certainly pre-Mitrek. I have its twin sitting right here, which I use to control my ham-band Micor radio(s) with a custom wiring harness. The Motrac series dates from the late 1950s. As far as I could find out, my head came from a Geep of the Trona Railroad and hit the surplus market on a radio equipment trade-in program.

The Railroad Micor head was more streamlined and came out in the mid-70s. IIRC the Railroad Mitrek was the first "clean cab" radio with a control head built in to the face of the radio chassis itself.

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73 de Phil Kane - K2ASP

388. Re: [hamrailfans] Re: [Calrailfans] RR Radio Control Head

Yahoo group: hamrailfans
Date: 2001-04-17 00:05:55 UTC
From: Neil McKie
Topic: 387 Message: 388

Phil Kane wrote:
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... snip ...

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> Micor, certainly pre-Mitrek. I have its twin sitting right
> here, which I use to control my ham-band Micor radio(s) with a
> custom wiring harness.

Would you like a railroad Motrac radio that went with it?

Neil McKie - WA6KLA ...

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389. Re: RR Radio Control Head

Yahoo group: hamrailfans
Date: 2001-04-17 15:58:38 UTC
From: Phil Kane
Topic: 389 Message: 389

> Date: Mon, 16 Apr 2001 17:05:55 -0700
> From: Neil McKie <n.mckie@...>

>> It's a Motorola TCN6056 Railroad Motrac control head -- pre
>> Micor, certainly pre-Mitrek. I have its twin sitting right
>> here, which I use to control my ham-band Micor radio(s) with a
>> custom wiring harness.
>
> Would you like a railroad Motrac radio that went with it?

At one time about 20 years ago I had two of them, surplus from
the Rio Grande. I stripped out the receiver strips for
monitors, and discarded the dont-know-if-it-worked tube
transmitters.

Right now the crystalized receiver strips are "on the
dead-line", long since surpassed in performance by modern
synthesized equipment.

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==> Watch the Doors <==
Phil Kane

390. Re: [hamrailfans] Re: RR Radio Control Head

Yahoo group: hamrailfans
Date: 2001-04-17 16:10:43 UTC
From: Neil McKie
Topic: 389 Message: 390

Phil Kane wrote:
>
> > Date: Mon, 16 Apr 2001 17:05:55 -0700
> > From: Neil McKie <n.mckie@...>
>
> >> It's a Motorola TCN6056 Railroad Motrac control head -- pre
> >> Micor, certainly pre-Mitrek. I have its twin sitting right
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> monitors, and discarded the dont-know-if-it-worked tube
> transmitters.
>
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> dead-line", long since surpassed in performance by modern
> synthesized equipment.

I somewhat agree with that philosophy ... but if you want to monitor
just one frequency, a stripped out receiver from a Motrac, Mastr Pro or
something else can't be beat.

> --
> ==> Watch the Doors <==

They sill playing music?

> Phil Kane

Neil McKie - WA6KLA ...

391. Re USS Iowa & Airshow Tomorrow (Sat) at Martinez

Yahoo group: hamrailfans
Date: 2001-04-20 16:22:02 UTC
From: Harry Marnell
Topic: 391 Message: 391

Ok, I may know my Humboldt Bay and my NWP, but could I get a list of likely radio frequencies (Navy?? USCG, air unicom, rails, ham, etc --- cripes, I don't ask for much, do I?) for there naval and air activities tomorrow.in the Martinez-Suisun area..

Helpful Helpless Humboldt Ham Harry
http://www.snowcrest.net/marnells <~~<~~Been here lately? It's always changing sometimes

----- Original Message -----
From: "Huggins, Michael" <michael.huggins@...>
To: <calrailfans@yahoogroups.com>
Cc: <Bayarea_railhistory@yahoogroups.com>
Sent: Friday, April 20, 2001 08:13
Subject: [Calrailfans] UPDATE FW: USS Iowa to Join Mothball fleet in Suisun Bay

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> > in Benicia at 10:30 AM with bleacher for viewing where the old SP ferry
> > slip was. So those daring enough to try to be Winston Link you might be
> > able to get a train, boat, plane, and car in one picture. Good luck
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> > Martinez bridge Saturday. The ship will be towed, starting at 1100 and
> > should be clear by 1300. The timing is for the flood tide. I've been told
> > the ship will be tied up with the reserve fleet there in Suisun Bay just
> > east of the bridge."
> >
> > Mococo Mike

Not to be redundant, but
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392. Re: Re USS Iowa & Airshow Tomorrow (Sat) at Martinez

Yahoo group: hamrailfans
Date: 2001-04-20 16:34:07 UTC
From: David Epling
Topic: 392 Message: 392

160.800 (DS62) should get you the Railroad and especially the Suisun Bay Bridge.
----- Original Message -----
From: Harry Marnell
To: Calrailfans@yahoogroups.com ; hamrailfans@yahoogroups.com
Sent: Friday, April 20, 2001 9:22 AM
Subject: <SCANnorCAL> Re USS Iowa & Airshow Tomorrow (Sat) at Martinez

Ok, I may know my Humboldt Bay and my NWP, but could I get a list of likely
radio frequencies (Navy?? USCG, air unicom, rails, ham, etc --- cripes, I
don't ask for much, do I?) for there naval and air activities tomorrow.in
the Martinez-Suisun area..

Helpful Helpless Humboldt Ham Harry
http://www.snowcrest.net/marnells <~~<~~Been here lately? It's always
changing sometimes

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To: <calrailfans@yahoogroups.com>
Cc: <Bayarea_railhistory@yahoogroups.com>
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Be sure to check out the "Files" and "Links" regularly. Go to them from the
http://www.egroups.com/group/SCANnorCAL
homepage.

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393. FT470 batt case?

Yahoo group: hamrailfans
Date: 2001-04-22 17:22:12 UTC
From: Harry Marnell
Topic: 393 Message: 393

Does anyone make a 12-volt battery CASE that fits the FT411/FT470. Yaesu's FBA-17 hold s 6 AAs for 9volts, would like an 8-AA case for full 12volts. Anybody??

Thanks,

Harry / N6URU
http://www.snowcrest.net/marnells

394. Re: [nwscan] Portland Railroad Frequencies

Yahoo group: hamrailfans
Date: 2001-04-23 20:47:55 UTC
From: Harry Marnell
Topic: 394 Message: 394

----- Original Message -----
From: "Jim Hanrahan" <n7maq@...>
To: <nwscan@yahoogroups.com>
Sent: Monday, April 23, 2001 13:32
Subject: Re: [nwscan] Portland Railroad Frequencies

> At 02:16 PM 4/23/01 EDT, you wrote:
> >OK you guys that listen to the railroad frequencies here in the Portland
> area
> >I need your help. I have always had a fasination with railroads but have
> >never really listened to whats going on via radio here in Portland. Are
> there
> >any frequencies worth punching into the scanner?

yep, INHO, you can hardly railfan without a scanner!

> You can also hear some of the foamers that hang out at the Vancouver
depot
> on 442.025. (Hams and rail fans seem to mix??)

There's even a yahoogroup called hamrailfans - there are a lot of
cross-overs in the rail & radio fanhoods. (I think I just made a
double-double entendre there...)

Harry
http://www.snowcrest.net/marnells/train.htm <~~<~~Been here lately? It's
always changing sometimes

395. FCC License Database updates

Yahoo group: hamrailfans
Date: 2001-04-24 08:51:47 UTC
From: Harry Marnell
Topic: 395 Message: 395

Ham radio licenses have been accessible for a while now on the FCC's good ol' database at http://gullfoss2.fcc.gov/cgi-bin/ws.exe/genmen/index.hts under, at least, callsign and name searches.

They have a "secondary" mirror site at http://svartifoss2.fcc.gov/cgi-bin/ws.exe/genmen/index.hts

ALSO, there's a note there that marine and aircraft "Coast & Ground Database" will be merged nto the regular ULS at the end of the month...one less drill-down to go thru. It says "The data in the Coast & Ground Database will be migrated into the ULS database the weekend of April 28/29. This data should be available in the new database as of Monday morning April 30. The Coast & Ground Database will no longer be in service."

Harry
http://www.snowcrest.net/marnells <~~<~~Been here lately? It's always changing sometimes

396. UP 951 & train thru Davis at 08:30

Yahoo group: hamrailfans
Date: 2001-04-24 15:49:17 UTC
From: Harry Marnell
Topic: 396 Message: 396

You guys in the Sacto better get your knees in the breeze... UP 951 was thru Davis at 8:31...

Anybody left at home might wanna get on the radio (HAM, MURS, FRS, GMRS and give the internet-challenged the word.

Harry
http://www.snowcrest.net/marnells/cartrace.htm <~~ Many railroads car-tracing links in one place for ya

397. Re: UP 951 & train thru Haggin at 08:57

Yahoo group: hamrailfans
Date: 2001-04-24 16:03:17 UTC
From: Harry Marnell
Topic: 397 Message: 397

UP 951 & train thru Haggin at 08:57

398. Visit Lago Vista TX and get BOOKED for minor traffic offenses

Yahoo group: hamrailfans
Date: 2001-04-24 19:15:15 UTC
From: Harry Marnell
Topic: 398 Message: 398

Here's a map to help you avoid the town:
http://www.snowcrest.net/marnells.lagovista.jpg

The Lago Vista Chamber of Commerce URL is http://www.lagovista.org/govt.htm
email is lagovsta@... if you'd like to express your personal
opinion. I don't see any government internet stuff, though there are names
& phone numbers on the CofC site.

----- Original Message -----
From: "Nicolas Sosa" <Nicolas@...>
To: <socalscan@yahoogroups.com>
Sent: Tuesday, April 24, 2001 11:11
Subject: Re: [socalscan] Traffic Arrests-Info

> Oops forgot the URL!
>
>
http://dailynews.netscape.com/dailynews/cnnnews.tmpl?story=scotus.arrest.ap0
4241203.html
>
> Nicolas Sosa wrote:
>
> > I found this story although, I know it is not scanner related it is
> > Police related. Supreme Court Rules OK to arrest and jail for traffic
> > infractions and is not violation of 4th amendment rights. See story to
> > get a better understanding.
> >
> >
> >
Harry
http://www.snowcrest.net/marnells <~~<~~Been here lately? It's always
changing sometimes

399. Re: Visit Lago Vista TX and get BOOKED for minor traffic offenses

Yahoo group: hamrailfans
Date: 2001-04-24 19:18:25 UTC
From: Harry Marnell
Topic: 398 Message: 399

Correction on the map, it's at
http://www.snowcrest.net/marnells/lagovista.jpg

----- Original Message -----
From: "Harry Marnell" <marnells@...>
To: <socalscan@yahoogroups.com>; <lagovsta@...>
Cc: <SCANnorCAL@yahoogroups.com>; <scan-l@...>;
<scan-l@yahoogroups.com>; <hamrailfans@yahoogroups.com>
Sent: Tuesday, April 24, 2001 12:15
Subject: Visit Lago Vista TX and get BOOKED for minor traffic offenses

> Here's a map to help you avoid the town:
> http://www.snowcrest.net/marnells.lagovista.jpg
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> The Lago Vista Chamber of Commerce URL is
http://www.lagovista.org/govt.htm
> email is lagovsta@... if you'd like to express your personal
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> Harry

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400. Re: [hamrailfans] Re: RR frequency and police calls

Yahoo group: hamrailfans
Date: 2001-04-29 01:19:37 UTC
From: Scott R. Havens
Topic: 386 Message: 400

(Delayed response, mainly because I've just now reached the middle of April in my pile of e-mails!)

I've noticed this in Florida, as well. Here, the State Conservation folks operate on 160.425 (AAR Ch. 21) and 161.445 (AAR Ch. 89). I always thought it was pretty weird, but it doesn't surprise me that they do it in other parts of the country, also. Oh well, as long as they leave enough channels for the RRs to use, I guess we shouldn't complain too much. After all, I have yet to see a railroad (or even a group of RRs in a limited geographical area) that really need 97 channels to conduct their business. In most places, they probably don't use more than 10.

73 and good listening!

SRH/AB2V
Tampa Bay, FL

Harry Marnell said:
For several years, maybe ten or more, the FCC has been issuing locally
unused "LR" railroad frequencies mainly to police agencies...

401. Radio on I-80 from Sacramento thru Nebraska

Yahoo group: hamrailfans
Date: 2001-04-30 01:04:50 UTC
From: Harry Marnell
Topic: 401 Message: 401

Let's suppose a scanner/railroad/hamradio guy is going to travel from CA thru Nebraska on I-80 in a week or so. And suppose he's mainly interested in listening Highway Patrol, railroads and 2-meter amateur stuff. Do you suppose anyone along the way could provide some good radio URLs or frequencies?

Tnx and 73

Harry / N6URU

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402. Re: [hamrailfans] RR Freqs....

Yahoo group: hamrailfans
Date: 2001-04-30 03:52:53 UTC
From: Phil Kane
Topic: 402 Message: 402

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>folks operate on 160.425 (AAR Ch. 21) and 161.445 (AAR Ch. 89). I
>always thought it was pretty weird, but it doesn't surprise me that
>they do it in other parts of the country, also. Oh well, as long as
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>complain too much. After all, I have yet to see a railroad (or even a
>group of RRs in a limited geographical area) that really need 97
>channels to conduct their business. In most places, they probably
>don't use more than 10.

The history behind the "interlopers" is not well understood.

Up until about 5 years ago, the FCC made "block allocations" by radio service, and each service had an exclusive set of frequencies for its use and an industry-appointed frequency coordinator to guard its interests. Non-RR users could get authorization to use RR radio channels only in dire cases, and the key was that the service coordinator had to make a positive agreement to the cross-service authorization. The RR radio coordinators, Leo Himmel and Chris Allman at the AAR, guarded our channels like a mother hen, refusing some requests outright "just like that" and delaying others until the requestor found something else.

Then, as if lying in wait for me to retire from the FCC and Leo to retire from the AAR, in a stroke of genius untouched by human brain, the FCC abolished the concept of "block allocations" in favor of a "pool" concept, made it possible for a frequemcy coordinator in one service to coordinate a frequency in another service, and removed the "positice concurrence" requirement in favor of a "yell if you don't agree" concept, and then only for good cause.

The way it works now is that a coordinator in some service posts a computerized coordination request for any available frequency on what amounts to its own database, and if they don't get a negative comment in a very short time (don't blink), in it goes to the FCC's computer for automatic license issuance. It's up to the requesting coordinator to do the interference study required and to certify that the use being coordinated will not cause harmful interference to any existing use. Don't blink or you'll miss all the action. The FCC claims that it streamlines the process, but there's more to it that I can't really get into.

I have mixed feelings on this. I am a supporter of railroad radio (I was a member of the AAR Communications and Signal Division for many years until my retirement) but I was very heavily involved in public safety radio as a member of APCO (the frequenmcy coordinator

for public safety radio) and as a cinsultant to several Bay Area counties on the subject. I'm also in favor of having the FCC make the decisions rather than a behind-the-scenes process which locks them out.

And here we are....

--
73 de K2ASP - Phil Kane

From a Clearing in the Silicon Forest
Beaverton (Washington County) Oregon

Retired and loving every minute of it....
Work was getting in the way of my hobbies

403. Re: Radio on I-80 from Sacramento thru Nebraska

Yahoo group: hamrailfans
Date: 2001-04-30 07:47:10 UTC
From: James F Weisbeck KB7MXI
Topic: 401 Message: 403

go to http://geocities.com/lizardstudy_1999

click on the ham radio button

i have several utah webpages listed that might help you

404. Re: [hamrailfans] Radio on I-80 from Sacramento thru Nebraska

Yahoo group: hamrailfans
Date: 2001-04-30 20:08:51 UTC
From: Neil McKie
Topic: 401 Message: 404

Harry Marnell wrote:
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> Let's suppose a scanner/railroad/hamradio guy is going to travel
> from CA thru Nebraska on I-80 in a week or so. And suppose he's
> mainly interested in listening Highway Patrol, railroads and
> 2-meter amateur stuff. Do you suppose anyone along the way
> could provide some good radio URLs or frequencies?

In all the years I've traveled through the very western US, I haven't found a good 2 meter repeater - anywhere. I remember when you could count all of the available 2 meter repeaters in the very western US on one hand.

As far as highway patrols are concerned, I seldom listen to them as unless you live there, you don't have a clue as where they are talking about.

Railroads? They are fun to listen to and they can't go very far until they change frequencies - and there are what 97 of them? Most fun is there.

(And I discovered that Ferndale California is large enough to be on a AAA map.)

> Tnx and 73
>
> Harry / N6URU
>
> http://www.snowcrest.net/marnells <~~<~~Been here lately? It's
> always changing sometimes

73 all,

Neil McKie - WA6KLA ...

405. ADMIN NOTE

Yahoo group: hamrailfans
Date: 2001-04-30 23:35:44 UTC
From: David Epling
Topic: 261 Message: 405

Gentlemen, This list is "FOR SALE" so to speak, the cost to the new owner is real cheap..it is FREE!!!, I am scaling back my list activities.

406. Re: [hamrailfans] ADMIN NOTE

Yahoo group: hamrailfans
Date: 2001-04-30 23:37:55 UTC
From: Harry Marnell
Topic: 261 Message: 406

It's right up my siding, David. What do you want, a resume' or a credit report? Can I take the next three weeks off? Where do I want to be in 10 years? Above the sod.

Harry

----- Original Message -----
From: "David Epling" <ccrails@...>
To: <hamrailfans@yahoogroups.com>
Sent: Monday, April 30, 2001 16:35
Subject: [hamrailfans] ADMIN NOTE

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> owner is real cheap..it is FREE!!!, I am scaling back my list
> activities.
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> Your use of Yahoo! Groups is subject to http://docs.yahoo.com/info/terms/
>
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407. Re: [hamrailfans] ADMIN NOTE

Yahoo group: hamrailfans
Date: 2001-05-01 01:11:42 UTC
From: Jim Ley
Topic: 261 Message: 407

David,

I'll be glad to do it. I've got the time now...

Jim Ley

David Epling wrote:
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73 de N6ECV
http://www.eskimo.com/~n6ecv/index.htm

408. Re: [scan-l] Auto Train (Amtrak)

Yahoo group: hamrailfans
Date: 2001-05-01 02:38:15 UTC
From: Harry Marnell
Topic: 408 Message: 408

You'll find the radio freqs at
http://www.trainweb.com/traking/amtrak/amtfreqe.html#florida - that page and
its western counterpart cover the entire Amtrak system.

Harry / N6URU
http://www.snowcrest.net/marnells <~~<~~Been here lately? It's always
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----- Original Message -----
From: <jlmail1154@...>
To: <scan-l@yahoogroups.com>
Sent: Monday, April 30, 2001 19:30
Subject: [scan-l] Auto Train (Amtrak)

> I will be taking the autotrain north this week. Anyone have the
> frequencies used on the train?
>
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>
> Your use of Yahoo! Groups is subject to http://docs.yahoo.com/info/terms/
>
>

409. Re: [scan-l] Auto Train (Amtrak)

Yahoo group: hamrailfans
Date: 2001-05-01 02:48:20 UTC
From: Harry Marnell
Topic: 408 Message: 409

If by "on the train" you mean frequencies used by onboard crews, you might watch & listen for FRS radios. I haven't heard that Autotrain crews use them, but these Family Radio Service rigs are showing up all over the system for on-board crews.

The 14 (unlicensed) FRS frequencies are:

1 462.5625
2 462.5875
3 462.6125
4 462.6375
5 462.6625
6 462.6875
7 462.7125
8 467.5625
9 467.5875
10 467.6125
11 467.6375
12 467.6625
13 467.6875
14 467.7125

Harry / N6URU
http://www.snowcrest.net/marnells/train.htm <~~<~~Been here lately?

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Sent: Monday, April 30, 2001 19:30
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> frequencies used on the train?

410. ADMIN NOTE- Virus

Yahoo group: hamrailfans
Date: 2001-05-01 18:43:31 UTC
From: David
Topic: 410 Message: 410

Ok, this is getting out of hand, a lot of people are sending Virus' and not realizing it...here is what is going on:

You will see this line at the bottom of the infected message:

> Take a look to the attachment.""

Below is the information on the virus itself, read it because it also includes what the attachment will be named.:

Regarding the virus that is currently making the rounds. The individuals who have this virus are not in control of sending it. The virus attaches itself to the unread messages in a person's e-mail program and sends it out on its own to the original sender, so not to a list, but to the original poster on a list.

Here is the information regarding this virus from Symantec:

If you wish removal instructions, let me know or visit the symantec website.

Due to an increase in the number of submissions, W32.Badtrans.13312@mm has been upgraded to a Category 4 threat. It is a MAPI worm that replies to all unread mails in your email message folders, and drops a backdoor Trojan.

Also Known As: W32/Badtrans-A, W32/Badtrans@MM, BadTrans, IWorm_Badtrans, I-Worm.Badtrans, TROJ_BADTRANS.A

Category: Worm

Infection Length: 13312

Virus Definitions: April 11, 2001

Threat Assessment:

Wild:
High Damage:
Medium Distribution:
High

Wild:

a.. Number of infections: 50 - 999
b.. Number of sites: More than 10
c.. Geographical distribution: High
d.. Threat containment: Easy
e.. Removal: Easy
Damage:

a.. Payload:
a.. Large scale e-mailing: It replies to all unread messages in the message folders within the default MAPI email program.
b.. Compromises security settings: It drops a backdoor Trojan.

Technical description:

When the worm is executed, it drops the backdoor Trojan Hkk32.exe in the \Windows folder, and then executes it. It then copies itself into the Windows folder as inetd.exe, adds a run= line to the Win.ini, and displays the following message:

The next time that the computer is rebooted, the worm will wait for 5 minutes, then it will use MAPI to find all unread email messages and reply to all of them. The worm will attach itself to the email, using one of the following file names:

Pics.ZIP.scr
images.pif
README.TXT.pif
New_Napster_Site.DOC.scr
news_doc.scr
hamster.ZIP.scr
YOU_are_FAT!.TXT.pif
searchURL.scr
SETUP.pif
Card.pif
Me_nude.AVI.pif
Sorry_about_yesterday.DOC.pif
s3msong.MP3.pif
docs.scr
Humor.TXT.pif
fun.pif

411. Uniden Digital scanner due "In about a year"

Yahoo group: hamrailfans
Date: 2001-05-01 23:40:08 UTC
From: Harry Marnell
Topic: 411 Message: 411

http://www.telecomclick.com/magnewsarticle.asp?newsarticleid=198391&siteid=3
&magazineid=2

thank you to zerg90 & fireradio@yahoogroups.com for the heads-up on this one

Harry
http://www.snowcrest.net/marnells <~~<~~Been here lately? It's always
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412. Re: [hamrailfans] RR Freqs....

Yahoo group: hamrailfans
Date: 2001-05-04 19:21:24 UTC
From: Scott R. Havens
Topic: 402 Message: 412

Phil,

Thanks for the insight into the mechanics of how other services ended up on the AAR channels. I never realized there were so many "games" going on in the background. Too bad you're not still in a position to influence what gets done; but if I had to choose between staying at work and being retired, there probably wouldn't be much doubt about what I would do, either!

73 DE SRH/AB2V
Tampa Bay, FL

413. Amtrak in Cheyenne Monday evening?

Yahoo group: hamrailfans
Date: 2001-05-08 06:46:38 UTC
From: Harry Marnell
Topic: 413 Message: 413

On vacation. As I drove east from Laramie toward Cheyenne Monday evening, I heard on 161.07, "Amtrak is now in the station, just about on time." or words to that effect.

Would this have been some special, or a rerouted #6 or ? I doubt very much that I could hear Denver from there on I-80...or could I?

When I arrived Cheyenne I went along Lincolnway and down to the ol' passenger station but saw nothing ATK...by then it was about 9:00 pm

Any ideas?

Leaving for North Platte &St Joe, MO in the morning.

Harry

414. New Webpage(this is a little off topic but check it out)

Yahoo group: hamrailfans
Date: 2001-05-10 22:26:11 UTC
From: stkntower@aol.com
Topic: 414 Message: 414

Hi All
I have been busily evaluating and testing software for an upcoming Webcam project in the Bangor Maine are.

I just got a bare bones page for current weather conditions running and will be adding the webcam images over the next couple of days.

I need your help in keeping an eye on the page to see that the auto uploads are indeed being sent every couple of hours.

Thanks
John
stkntower@...
http://stkntower.railfan.net
http://geocities.com/wa1rka (this is the new site)

415. Re: [hamrailfans] New Webpage(this is a little off topic but check it out)

Yahoo group: hamrailfans
Date: 2001-05-11 16:42:49 UTC
From: David
Topic: 414 Message: 415

Looks good John
----- Original Message -----
From: <stkntower@...>
To: <hamrailfans@yahoogroups.com>
Sent: Thursday, May 10, 2001 3:26 PM
Subject: [hamrailfans] New Webpage(this is a little off topic but check it out)

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I need your help in keeping an eye on the page to see that the auto uploads are indeed being sent every couple of hours.

Thanks
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stkntower@...
http://stkntower.railfan.net
http://geocities.com/wa1rka (this is the new site)

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416. Fw: Scanner tips and tricks for the railfan!

Yahoo group: hamrailfans
Date: 2001-05-13 18:01:53 UTC
From: Chris Stubblefield
Topic: 416 Message: 416

Thought I would send this along, some of you may have seen it already

http://www.alabamarailfan.com/scanner.shtml

417. Re: [RailScan] 2-Way Radios or Ham Radios?

Yahoo group: hamrailfans
Date: 2001-05-16 05:58:52 UTC
From: Harry Marnell
Topic: 417 Message: 417

Are you a ham, or licensed to transmit on any VHF frequency? If not, I shouldn't think you'd need a ham rig or a Relm...a scanner should meet your RECEIVING needs quite adequately...plus most scanners have more frequencies, more radio bands, wider bandwidth within each band, and are cost-effective.

Be VERY careful in Michigan with any radio capable of receiving frequencies; MI police are VERY aware of the prohibition against these receivers (not just "scanners"), and from reports on other scanner groups, they aren't hesitant to confiscate the radios and cite the owner. You can obtain a permit from the state police, however. I have one (I'm a ham), as does my wife and also my 8-year-old-son...neither of them is a ham. And we live in California.

A "blanket" answer to all your questions...in almost every respect there are MANY ham two-meter (or dual/multi-band) radios, both mobile and portable, that are MUCH more flexible and have more features built-in than the Relm. Personally, I can't think of any reason to pick the Relm over one of many ham rigs on the market. As long as you're not transmitting.

For antennas, your best bet is one fine-tuned to the frequencies. The railcom is theoretically better than a 2-meter antenna, though you probably could have gotten an identical antenna for half the price at a commercial two-way radio shop. What you have is a "5/8-wave" antenna tuned to the middle area of the FORMER FCC "'LR' - Railroad band." The "railroad" radio service has technically disappeared into the new "IG" Industrial/Business Conventional Pool. This means that non-railroad licensees are starting to appear on some former "LR" frequencies, and railroads could theoretically start being given other non-traditional RR frequencies. The latter isn't particularly likely any time soon..

Harry
http://www.snowcrest.net/marnells

----- Original Message -----
From: <mrbnsf@...>
To: <RailScan@yahoogroups.com>
Sent: Tuesday, May 15, 2001 21:55
Subject: [RailScan] 2-Way Radios or Ham Radios?

Hi. Can anyone give me some advice as to which is better to
use
for railfanning? Is the Relm VHF High Band 2-way better than the
portable Ham radios like an ICOM and Kentwood? Which type of mobile
antenna system is better? I have the Railcom antenna right now. Which
would be better. The Railcom or, a new Ham 2 meter mobile antenna for
either the VHF High band 2 way or the Ham radios?

Also. Regarding these radios I have a friend that has a Relm 2
way. He says he cannot program or punch in the frequencies without
having to take the unit apart. Are these 2 ways or Hams programmable
as in like punching in the frequency numbers on a programmable
scanner?
Which has higher audio output, the 2 way or the Hams.
Do the Ham portables have like priority scan like the 2 ways and
scanners? With the Hams is there a way of disabling the transmit
function without having to tear the unit apart? Also I'm from
Michigan. I heard that as long as you do not transmit on a 2 way or
Ham then you won't get busted for using one especially as is the case
of needing a license with the Hams.
So which the better system. A VHF High Band 2 way portable or
a
Ham portable?
Thanks,
Steve, BNSF 8801

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City Metropolitan Area. Main Page: http://railscan.cjb.net

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418. Re: Location of SP Coast Line Transmitter(s)

Yahoo group: hamrailfans
Date: 2001-05-31 06:09:54 UTC
From: Harry Marnell
Topic: 418 Message: 418

That's right, Jim. Isn't that essentially the same as "simulcast" technology? I flew back to Gettysburg PA and brought back a list of the transmitter locations for the Coast line between San Luis Nabisco and Los Angeles. It's at
http://www.snowcrest.net/marnells/sptransmitters.htm

Harry
http://www.snowcrest.net/marnells/click.htm <~~<~~Been here lately? It's always changing sometimes

----- Original Message -----
From: Jim Duncan
To: RailScan@yahoogroups.com
Sent: Wednesday, May 30, 2001 21:22
Subject: Re: [RailScan] Location of SP Coast Line Transmitter

The reality of railroad radio is that the various transmitters are carefully tuned to the exact same frequency so you don't get the heterodyne whine when multiple transmitters key up. This is called "netting" a frequency. The whole concept is so the train crews always hear the dispatcher at the same signal strength. The dispatcher is PROBABLY transmitting simultaneously on SEVERAL different station locations and the net effect to someone looking at an S-meter is that it LOOKS like it's all one signal when it's really not....

Jim Duncan
UP Sedalia Subdivision, M.P. 217.62

eje655@aol.com wrote:
>
> I was wondering if anyone knew the exact location of the dispatch transmitter
> that calls to trains on the SP Coast Line (Now UP Santa Barbara Sub), which
> is North of L.A., CA. I assume it must be one transmitter on a mountain
> somewhere, because I'm in L.A., and I can hear UP Disp. 50 clearing trains as
> far as Guadalupe. That's a long way from me, and there's also a few mountain
> ranges in the way. The signal strength is the same no matter where on the
> line they are talking to a train, so it must be the same transmitter.
>
> Thanks,
>
> Dave D.
> Los Angeles, CA
> USA
>
> -Rail Radio Online - Home of the "TrainTenna" Rail Radio Monitoring Antenna-
> http://eje.railfan.net/railradioonline
> ----------

> -The Elgin, Joliet & Eastern Photo Archive & E-Mail List-
> http://eje.railfan.net
> ----------
> -The Ashley, Drew & Northern Railfan Page-
> http://eje.railfan.net/adn
> ----------
> -Southern California Trains-
> http://eje.railfan.net/socal
> ----------
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73 de Jim, KU0G
Chairman/Coordinator
Kansas City APRS Working Group, W0APR
First Alert Storm Team KMBC-TV9
Mailto:ku0g@...
Webpage: http://www.kcaprs.org

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419. Fw: [from RailScan] ELKO, NV Frequency Request

Yahoo group: hamrailfans
Date: 2001-05-31 16:20:51 UTC
From: Harry Marnell
Topic: 419 Message: 419

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----- Original Message -----
From: "Christopher Knorr" <ctknorr@...>
To: "RailScan" <RailScan@yahoogroups.com>
Sent: Thursday, May 31, 2001 06:25
Subject: [RailScan] Frequency Request

Does anyone have the frequencies used for the Elko, NV Area?
I understand it is a crew change point with lots of UP activity.

Thanks,
Chris
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420. Re: [hamrailfans] Fw: [from RailScan] ELKO, NV Frequency Request

Yahoo group: hamrailfans
Date: 2001-06-06 18:18:58 UTC
From: Todd Remington
Topic: 419 Message: 420

Hey Chris,
Iffen nobody replied to you yet, here's some info
for you. Eastbounds use AAR 2424 and the Westbounds
use AAR 9696, up to Weso near Winnemucca, and than
switch back over to AAR 2424. Could you do me a
favor if you are out that way in the near future.
I've heard reports that the NHP is going to a trunk
system around 151 MHZ. If you get a chance, check
154.610 MHZ for a simulcast of the NHP Elko low band
freq. Callsign is KRY50 iffen I recall correctly...

Thanks,
73 Todd KH2TJ/6
Portola, CA.
UP Engineer

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421. Re: [hamrailfans] Re: Location of SP Coast Line Transmitter(s)

Yahoo group: hamrailfans
Date: 2001-06-06 18:34:22 UTC
From: Todd Remington
Topic: 418 Message: 421

Thats not quite how I understand that it works here on the Canyon Sub. The transmitters are located in several different locations, which the Dispatcher, in Omahahah, can access. They can "key" up one, are several at a time. You will hear the dispatcher frequently refer to whomever he is talking to as to what "tower" he is using. IE "UP Omaha Dispathcer #10 on the "Blairsden" tower" Over. Or the "Peavine tower", "Virgilia tower", etc etc...Don't know about the Coast Sub, but thats how it works in the Canyon...And several times we will have to tell the Dispatcher to switch towers so we can copy them...Usually the MOW freq TX's are located at the same site, so if you can copy any of the MOW forces on Mobile Tel, than you can gather a good idea as to what transmitter you are copying.

73 Todd KH2TJ/6

>Subject: [hamrailfans] Re: Location of SP Coast Line Transmitter(s)
>Date: Wed, 30 May 2001 23:09:54 -0700
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> eje655@... wrote:
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422. Re: [hamrailfans] Re: Location of SP Coast Line Transmitter(s)

Yahoo group: hamrailfans
Date: 2001-06-07 09:17:55 UTC
From: Steve Passmore
Topic: 418 Message: 422

I would have to agree with Todd on this one. I often hear the dispatcher call a train on one transmitter and then switch to another and try again. It's much more noticeable in mountainous areas where the sites are more closly spaced. You can hear this quite often on the coast stream at http://www.railswest.net/streams/ because we're using a high gain antenna at a decent elevation and can pick up several transmitters.

Steve P. KF6FKK

----- Original Message -----
From: "Todd Remington" <gaffit@...>
To: <hamrailfans@yahoogroups.com>; <RailScan@yahoogroups.com>
Sent: Wednesday, June 06, 2001 11:34 AM
Subject: Re: [hamrailfans] Re: Location of SP Coast Line Transmitter(s)

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> the Canyon Sub. The transmitters are located in several
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423. Re: [hamrailfans] Re: Location of SP Coast Line Transmitter(s)

Yahoo group: hamrailfans
Date: 2001-06-07 21:47:58 UTC
From: Scott R. Havens
Topic: 418 Message: 423

Seems to be the same here in Florida. I quite frequently hear the dispatcher (Jacksonville) "answering Tampa Radio," or Bradenton Radio, or Bartow (Mulberry?) Radio, etc. When a train crew sends the DTMF tone to "wake up" a radio link Dispatch, the dispatcher answers on the tower that "heard" the tone. They may be able to key up more than one at a time, but I'm not sure I've heard that happen.

SRH/AB2V
Valrico, FL
----- Original Message -----
From: Todd Remington
To: hamrailfans@yahoogroups.com ; RailScan@yahoogroups.com
Sent: Wednesday, June 06, 2001 2:34 PM
Subject: Re: [hamrailfans] Re: Location of SP Coast Line Transmitter(s)

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the Canyon Sub. The transmitters are located in several
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using...

424. How to stop a train in an emergency

Yahoo group: hamrailfans
Date: 2001-06-13 05:25:04 UTC
From: Smokey Behr
Topic: 424 Message: 424

Here's some information that I thought I'd share with everyone, since we had an incident here in Ventura County, CA that ended up on a hot rail. A pickup and a sedan collided, with 3 patients, 1 critical airlifted out. This section of track owned by the Union Pacific Railroad, has Metrolink, the Amtrak Surfliner, the Coast Starlight, and UP Freight on it. They were lucky that they got the Metrolink stopped in time, since the track speed in that area is 79 MPH.

As a railfan, I understand the workings of the railroads, and how they like things done. As a firefighter, I know that making sure the victims and rescuers are as safe as possible during any incident.

This comes from the General Code of Operating Rules (GCOR), which is a common set of rules that all railroads must follow. The BNSF publishes a .PDF and .PDB version of the rules, so you can read them online. Additional information comes from a lecture by Ernie Sirotek, Jr., Chemical Transportation Safety Manager for the UPRR out of Oakland, CA.

#1: Immediately call the railroad's operation center and inform them that you have an incident on the tracks. Give them a mile post number, block name or crossing name. Crossings have milepost numbers and contact numbers painted or attached to them. Tell them that you are sending flagmen out to protect the incident.

#2: Send a firefighter or LEO out 2 miles in each direction from the incident. Make sure they have a minimum of 6 fusees, a red flag (if possible) and a method of communicating with personnel at the incident.

#3: Have the FF/LEO (now called a flagman) drop a lit fusee in the center of the tracks at their location, and keep a fusee lit for the duration of the incident. A lit fusee in the gauge is an indication for any train to stop immediately.

#4: The flagman needs to stand 6' from the tracks on the left side of the tracks with back to the incident watching for trains. When the flagman sees an approaching train, he needs to begin waving his outstretched arm or flag from above his head to his side in a 180 degree arc. This signal should be continued until it is acknowledged by 2 short blasts of the whistle, or by verbal confirmation with the engineer.

GCOR 5.3.5 states that an engineer must obtain a thorough explanation from the flagman before proceeding through a stop signal.

GCOR 5.4.7 states that a train must not pass a red light or red flag placed in the gauge until "removed by an employee of the class that placed it", which generally means the person who placed it.

#5: When the incident has cleared from the tracks, inform the railroad's operations center that you have cleared the area. If there is damage to the tracks, ties or roadbed, inform them so they can send out a crew to repair the damage.

If the damage to the tracks is severe enough to cause damage to the rail equipment, inform them so that they can move the trains away from the damaged section until a crew can be brought in. This includes spread or pinched gauge, bent rail, rail pushed out of parallel, damaged crown (top load-bearing surface) of the rail, or more than 3 damaged ties in a row.

I hope this helps those of you that have tracks going through your response area.

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425. (fwd) [NorCalFire] MARTIS Fire Update

Yahoo group: hamrailfans
Date: 2001-06-18 14:39:24 UTC
From: Smokey Behr
Topic: 425 Message: 425

Just relaying some information from one of the fire lists. The info
you want to look for is about halfway through.

On Mon, 18 Jun 2001 13:48:49 -0000, k6ddw@... wrote:

>Here is this mornings Martis fire report:
>
>100 engines 70 crews 40 dozers 9 helicopters
>10 air tankers 20 water tenders
>12000 - 15000 acres Command Post has been
>moved to McQueens High School in Reno.
>Staging is at Hirschdale. I-80 is open but
>could change. The UP railway is closed due
>to a burning trestle. Agencies involved are
>CDF,USFS,CDC,CYA,NDF & Reno FD. No estimate
>of containment or control. Cause is still
>under investigation. Numerous subdivisions
>in west Reno are on evacuation alert.
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426. cheap radio

Yahoo group: hamrailfans
Date: 2001-06-24 14:10:27 UTC
From: Frederic Cote
Topic: 426 Message: 426

I am getting rid of the following item. E-mail me at flair500@... so
we can work out a deal.

1) HTX 404 70cm HAM RADIO ** -- LIKE NEW : only $155 USD.

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427. Hello.

Yahoo group: hamrailfans
Date: 2001-06-26 02:04:30 UTC
From: shawnl@prodigy.net
Topic: 427 Message: 427

Hello to all on list. My name is Shawn, and I'm from New Orleans.
I've been scanning railroads, milcoms, and police for about 15 years,
and have been studying to get my ham ticket for the past month.
My interest began at the KCSHS convention at Mena, AR, June 2000.
Several members are hams, and introduced me to it.

Shawn

428. Re: [hamrailfans] Hello.

Yahoo group: hamrailfans
Date: 2001-06-26 06:25:04 UTC
From: Jim Ley
Topic: 427 Message: 428

Hi, Shawn,

GET YOUR HAM TICKET! That being said, I'm telling you that it'll pay off big time... If you get a nice dual band (VHF/UHF) rig, you can not only enjoy the Ham Radio hobby and make a lot friends, but ALL of the modern rigs are capable of picking up all the RR channels on the VHF side. The UHF side can serve as a "train detector" if it's tuned to the FRED channel. FRED transmitters only put out a watt or so, so the only ones you'll hear will be within a few miles or less, depending on terrain. These radios also scan and most of the newer ones have over 100 memories, so if you put in ALL 90 of the AAR railroad channels you can go anywhere and pick up the action. Both my Icom IC-T81A handheld and my Yaesu FT-8100R are set up this way, as well as my favorite Ham repeater and simplex channels in both as well as a few marine channels just for grins... I live near Seattle, so there's lot's of boat action, too... You should get plenty of that in N'Awlins too. (Been There, LOVE the place!) Considering the terrain there, a decent radio and antenna should get all the action you can handle.

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73 de N6ECV
http://n6ecv.net/

429. Re: [hamrailfans] Hello.

Yahoo group: hamrailfans
Date: 2001-06-26 07:43:30 UTC
From: Shawn Levy
Topic: 427 Message: 429

Jim, thanks for the support. I've got my eye on a Yaesu FT50RD because of it's wide rx range. I scan military air also.

One of my friends in the KCSHS, Mike Engelke-KD5DGT, as been helping me along.

I recently bought a Diamond antenna (RH77CA) for my BC3000XLT scanner. Man, does it bring in rr freqs.

430. Interesting picture

Yahoo group: hamrailfans
Date: 2001-06-29 14:28:22 UTC
From: Smokey Behr
Topic: 430 Message: 430

While running around yesterday, I came across a photo in one of the buildings I delivered to. The picture was of a streamlined bullet-nosed engine, with a vertical grille and a rubber bumper. There was no coupler on this engine. The engine had several pax cars behind it, and it was coming through underneath a bridge that had 2-3 cars, of what looked to be 20s to 30s vintage.

If anyone has any info on this unit, I'd appreciate it.

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431. Re: [Calrailfans] Interesting picture

Yahoo group: hamrailfans
Date: 2001-06-30 05:48:11 UTC
From: Smokey Behr
Topic: 431 Message: 431

If I go back there, I'll try to get a picture of it, but at least I've
got a starting place.

On Fri, 29 Jun 2001 11:33:23 -0400, Seth Bramson
<sbramson@...> wrote:

>From the description, it sounds like it might be either one of the
>original UP streamliner engines (pre "E" series) or same on the IC that
>they used on the "Green Diamond." If you can take a pic of the picture
>and email it or send it, I can probably help.
>
>Smokey Behr wrote:
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>> buildings I delivered to. The picture was of a streamlined
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432. motran radios????'s

Yahoo group: hamrailfans
Date: 2001-07-09 03:37:54 UTC
From: draperfireman@yahoo.com
Topic: 432 Message: 432

i just bought a motorola motran radio from a ebay member and i am wondering if this is a decent radio for possible volunteer fire service aplications, i nned it to be dependable, powerfull, and most importantly, fixable, i mean i know it is hard to get parts for these old radios but how hard would it be to get the elements and all i might need, give me any advise u can on a motan radio i would greatly apreciate it jake adams
draperfireman@...

433. Re: [Calrailfans] So Calif Rail Triangle plans?

Yahoo group: hamrailfans
Date: 2001-07-09 19:00:50 UTC
From: Harry Marnell
Topic: 433 Message: 433

And, specifically, what's the status of the Southern California "No scene twice seen" triangle rail trip...has a date been set? I'll be down there from about Aug 4 to 15 or so.

Harry
http://www.snowcrest.net/marnells/airrail.htm Calif Rail sites from above

----- Original Message -----
From: "David Epling" <ccrails@...>
To: "CalRailfans" <calrailfans@yahoogroups.com>
Sent: Monday, July 09, 2001 10:10
Subject: [Calrailfans] Need Dates and Locations for upcoming gatherings.

Hi all, we need Dates and locations for Aug-Dec for gatherings, SoCal members, don't wait on us, set one up, all dates will be posted in the Calrailfans Footer. I need the following format:

Date, Location, time, who is hosting it (I.E. who to contact for Information.)

thanks

[Non-text portions of this message have been removed]

Upcoming Railfan Gatherings:
Appian Way (Pinole), July 21, Contact Mike Huggins
International Railfair, Roseville CA 2nd weekend in November

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434. Great American Circus Train

Yahoo group: hamrailfans
Date: 2001-07-09 23:50:32 UTC
From: stkntower@aol.com
Topic: 434 Message: 434

Hi All,

Was wondering if any of you HF operators was lucky enough to catch the operation over this past weekend from the 1890 circus train in Wisconsin. I got lucky on Sunday the 8th and had a 5 minute Qso with them on 20 meters. I will be sending the 3 first class stamps to get the certificate on this one. First time I have ever worked someone on a train in Motion.Now thats known as combining railfanning and ham radio at a long distance.

73
John
wa1rka
stkntower@...
http://stkntower.railfan.net
http://www.geocities.com/wa1rka

435. Re: [hamrailfans] motran radios????'s

Yahoo group: hamrailfans
Date: 2001-07-10 02:45:46 UTC
From: Neil McKie
Topic: 432 Message: 435

Do you have a model number?

draperfireman@... wrote:

> i just bought a motorola motran radio from a ebay member and i am
> wondering if this is a decent radio for possible volunteer fire
> service aplications, i nned it to be dependable, powerfull, and most
> importantly, fixable, i mean i know it is hard to get parts for these
> old radios but how hard would it be to get the elements and all i
> might need, give me any advise u can on a motan radio i would greatly
> apreciate it jake adams
> draperfireman@...
>
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>
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436. Re: new rail road frequencies

Yahoo group: hamrailfans
Date: 2001-07-19 03:11:22 UTC
From: Harry Marnell
Topic: 436 Message: 436

VERY interesting list. http://eje.railfan.net/railradioonline/

NO! Don't spend $60 for a "railroad" antenna. Go to any commercial 2-way radio dealer and they'll sell you one for about half that, and if you're nice they may even drill the hole and install it for free. Just tell them you want a "5/8-wave" antenna tuned to 161.00 MHz (the approximate middle of the railroad radio band).

Depending on the scanner, it may tune those 'splinter' frequencies precisely, or you may end up having to round off. The problem will start arising when two adjacent frequencies are both in use, which hopefully be guarded against by the radio system planners as best they can. Most scanners are notoriously NON-selective, meaning they pick up any radio transmissions that are fairly close to what they're tuned to, and strong enough. For example, if your scanner is tuned to 160.65 and there's a fairly strong transmitter on 160.665, you'll probably hear that one too. And with them squeezing them together with only half as much space in between, scanners will have a heck of a hard time telling one from the next.

But..uh oh. i hape this doesn't mean the new frequencies will have to be DIGITAL mode to achieve the tighter spacing. I'll go look at the FCC pages.

Harry
http://www.snowcrest.net/marnells <~~<~~Been here lately? It's always changing sometimes

----- Original Message -----
From: "CGCOM" <cgcom@...>
To: <railscan@yahoogroups.com>
Sent: Wednesday, July 18, 2001 19:39
Subject: [RailScan] (Fwd) [RailHams] new rail road frequencies

> Guys,
> I ran across this site from the Shortline List. It has
> a lot of radio info. It also has a list of new RR Radio
> frequencies I have never heard of. A couple of questions
> come to mind. Are the RR using the new ones yet ?
> Will a regular scanner receive these new channels ?
> The new channels are between the existing channels,
> about .0075 above or below each regular channel.
> Does anyone make a scanner that will receive these
> new frequencies ?
> Here is a link to the site:
> http://eje.railfan.net/railradioonline/
>
> This site also sells a RR Radio antenna. Not knowing

> much about radios, I could not tell if the antenna was
> worth $60.
> RPM
>
> ------- End of forwarded message -------
>
> LIVE Rail Radio Feed Now Available On Real Player And Winamp, To Listen
> "Open/Play Location" From Within Either Program And Enter
166.90.148.106:15112
> Also Available Via The Web At http://railscan.webhop.net
>
> Check Our US Railroad Radio Frequency Database:
> http://www.yahoogroups.com/group/RailScan
> Click "Database" And Add Your Favorite Local Rail Frequencies.
>
> Visit CG Communications North Jersey RailScan Featuring LIVE Railroad
> Radio Communications And Frequency Information For The Northern NJ/New
York
> City Metropolitan Area. Main Page: http://railscan.cjb.net
>
>
> Your use of Yahoo! Groups is subject to http://docs.yahoo.com/info/terms/
>
>

437. Railroads using GPS to track their locos/trains?

Yahoo group: hamrailfans
Date: 2001-07-19 17:48:45 UTC
From: Harry Marnell
Topic: 437 Message: 437

Are Union Pacific, BNSF or any western roads using GPS systems yet to track their trains? I got a request from a non-rail in Central Calif, who works for a 9-1-1 center which does use GPS to track their emergency vehicles. His thought is that with the heavy rail traffic and frequently "blocked" crossings, some kind of access to this info would help them both in rerouting units when needed, as well as locating railroad-involved incidents when the location given is vague or unfamiliar.

Harry
http://www.snowcrest.net/marnells <~~<~~Been here lately? It's always changing sometimes

438. Re: [RailScan] Re: new rail road frequencies

Yahoo group: hamrailfans
Date: 2001-07-19 17:57:13 UTC
From: Harry Marnell
Topic: 438 Message: 438

(I'm posting this to all three rail/radio lists I had sent my original reply to)

I apologize for my "blanket" "No" response, David. I jumped the gun without going through the site closely. You're absolutely correct about checking all possible antennas' features. A base antenna should be an entirely different animal that what I was suggesting.

Good news though...I checked the FCC site for a number of the new splinter RR frequencies. In the 160/161 band anyway, and all the ones I looked at were authorized for analog FM voice, NOT for digital!

I also use a BC3000...if you change the STEP setting (STP button, middle bottom) to 12.5 khz it will set up on the new frequencies exactly.

harry (with egg on his face) marnell

----- Original Message -----
From: <eje655@...>
To: <RailScan@yahoogroups.com>
Sent: Thursday, July 19, 2001 10:44
Subject: [RailScan] Re: new rail road frequencies

> --- In RailScan@y..., "Harry Marnell" <marnells@s...> wrote:
> > VERY interesting list. http://eje.railfan.net/railradioonline/
> >
> > NO! Don't spend $60 for a "railroad" antenna. Go to any
> commercial 2-way
> > radio dealer and they'll sell you one for about half that, and if
> you're
> > nice they may even drill the hole and install it for free. Just tell
> them
> > you want a "5/8-wave" antenna tuned to 161.00 MHz (the
> approximate middle of
> > the railroad radio band).
>
> While everyone is entitled to their own opinion... It might be good
> to at least look at what someone is talking about, before you tell
> them NOT to buy something. My antennas are for
> BASE/STATIONARY use, not mobile, which is what you're talking
> about. If you compare mine to what's out there, they are very fairly
> priced. I've had many satisfied customers in the short time I've
> started selling them.
>
> As for the frequencies in question... I haven't heard of any
> instances where they are actually being used yet. But the major

> railroads have in fact bought licenses for all of them already. I'm
> assuming Motorola will probably come out with a new radio that
> will handle the new spacing appropriately. Whether or not that
> will be digital, I don't know. I'm also not sure if the radios already
> out there can handle that spacing, or if they can be updated.
> Some analog radios can. If they stay analog with the new freqs,
> you may still be able to hear them, even if your display rounds off
> the freq number. Blead-over would be a problem on neighboring
> freqs though. I've tried to get them to go into a BC3000XLT, and it
> won't quite do it, even though the spacing can be changed.
>
> Dave D.
> Los Angeles, CA
>
> -Rail Radio Online - Home of the "TrainTenna" Rail Radio
> Monitoring Antenna-
> http://eje.railfan.net/railradioonline
> ----------
> -The Elgin, Joliet & Eastern Photo Archive & E-Mail List-
> http://eje.railfan.net
> ----------
> -The Ashley, Drew & Northern Railfan Page-
> http://eje.railfan.net/adn
> ----------
> -Southern California Trains-
> http://eje.railfan.net/socal
> ----------
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> LIVE Rail Radio Feed Now Available On Real Player And Winamp, To Listen
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> Click "Database" And Add Your Favorite Local Rail Frequencies.
>
> Visit CG Communications North Jersey RailScan Featuring LIVE Railroad
> Radio Communications And Frequency Information For The Northern NJ/New
York
> City Metropolitan Area. Main Page: http://railscan.cjb.net
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439. Please note my new email address

Yahoo group: hamrailfans
Date: 2001-07-31 07:15:12 UTC
From: Harry Marnell
Topic: 439 Message: 439

I apologize if you get multiple copies of this...or if you have no idea who I am.

You may already have my new address, but as my old marnells@snowcrest.net address MAY close Tuesday morning I'm sending this out to everyone in my address book.

At any rate, my new email address is marnells@home.com

Most or all of my web pages will now be linked to either http://www.qsl.net/n6uru/ or http://members.home.com/marnells/

My former website at http://www.snowcrest.net/marnells/index.html may or may not continue, depending on whether I can make arrangements with the great folks at Snowcrest.

Thanks for your time.

Harry Marnell
Ferndale, CA
Trains, Scanning, LAPD Communications, Yosemite, and other odd interests

440. Please note my new email address

Yahoo group: hamrailfans
Date: 2001-07-31 07:19:02 UTC
From: Harry Marnell
Topic: 440 Message: 440

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441. railhams.com

Yahoo group: hamrailfans
Date: 2001-07-31 21:43:13 UTC
From: KC2HRQ@trainorders.com
Topic: 441 Message: 441

Some of you have probably been to this website, but I thought I would give out the address in case some of you haven't seen it before. Quite a few people in the railham directory.
http://www.railhams.com

America's favorite railroad hobby web site
http://www.trainorders.com

442. Free scanner computer program

Yahoo group: hamrailfans
Date: 2001-08-03 18:07:37 UTC
From: agentid4@aol.com
Topic: 442 Message: 442

Hello to all ... I found this real cool scanner computer program that they didi charge for but now is out of stock and is online and is a FREE DOWNLOAD ...
It is a 2 part (or more) program nad here is why...The first part is the main program that you need on your computer to make it all work.... The 2nd (or more) part/s is the indivual states you might want to download in order to get all the frequencies you may want or need.
This is a vert cool program and on my computer it works real well...to get youself a copy please goto this URL and explore around a bit to the down load page and then when that is done you will need to go back to their state list and download which ever state or states you need or want...and yes you can even print out all that data it brings up .
Also once it is up and running you can even click on a certain RR.and open up even more data on each one.
Anyway to get a copy please goto thai URL....
http://www.csp-tech.com/Default.htm
I hope you all enjoy this really awesome and FREE program.
I also am posting this to several rail groups that I am on so I am sorry if you get more then one post about this from me.
Robert Mace from Akron,Ohio. (KB8VJR)

443. RE: sac county trunk system

Yahoo group: hamrailfans
Date: 2001-08-09 17:36:56 UTC
From: Fletcher, Robert L SPK
Topic: 443 Message: 443

What type of CB antenna are you using? I wonder if this would be a way out of the static problem? I am going to run this by some one else and get his thoughts, I Too, live in Carmichael very near Bellue street and Winding Way. Some one on these different lists may know why a CB antenna would work better, I sure don't know. I get both city and county trunked systems at my house, not always the best but there. "Finding out Bob"

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SACRAMENTO CA.
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rfletcher@...

-----Original Message-----
From: Dan [mailto:d44494449@...]
Sent: Thursday, August 09, 2001 10:28 AM
To: SCANnorCAL@yahoogroups.com
Subject: Re: <SCANnorCAL> sac county trunk system

I live near San Juan/Fair Oaks in Upper Carmichael. Maybe half the time I cannot get into the trunking system for the County. (Been searching while writing this and no luck.) Actually, I have better luck picking up City. This is with a RS Pro 90 Trunktracker and extendible antenna. When I do get on the static is so bad and messages so truncated that my wife will leave the house (punishes me by going shopping). I would sure like to know why the helo is up there sometimes.

I was in Antelope area yesterday and hitched radio to the car's CB antenna. Messages were clear and no static at start or end. It's a new world out there when you can hear the traffic. Dan

Be sure to check out the "Files" and "Links" regularly. Go to them from the
http://www.egroups.com/group/SCANnorCAL
homepage.

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444. Re: [hamrailfans] RE: sac county trunk system

Yahoo group: hamrailfans
Date: 2001-08-09 16:47:30 UTC
From: Richard Zimmerman
Topic: 443 Message: 444

The longer whip of the CB antenna allows more of the signal to be captured.

Richard

> What type of CB antenna are you using? I wonder if this would be a way out
> of the static problem? I am going to run this by some one else and get his
> thoughts, I Too, live in Carmichael very near Bellue street and Winding
> Way. Some one on these different lists may know why a CB antenna would work
> better, I sure don't know. I get both city and county trunked systems at
> my house, not always the best but there. "Finding out Bob"
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Information Systems Manager richard@...
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Support Operation Lifesaver http://trainweb.org/sjv
www.oli.org http://trainweb.org/ew

445. For railfan hams: Tioga Central Railroad Mobile Special Event Station 8/18 (fwd)

Yahoo group: hamrailfans
Date: 2001-08-12 03:32:55 UTC
From: Robert Schoenfeld
Topic: 445 Message: 445

73 de Bob

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+ e-mail:roberts@... _____ +
+ HomePage:http://www.liii.com/~roberts \ / +
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+ Home repeater LIMARC 146.85 +
+ +
+ These opinion are MINE and tough if you don't like them +
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Annoy a fascist confront him with the facts
The road of life is a railroad
From synergy@... Wed Sep 25 21:54:58 1996
Stupidity is bliss.
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---------- Forwarded message ----------
Date: Sat, 11 Aug 2001 01:18:16 -0400
From: "[iso-8859-1] Rafman?" <rafman2@...>
Reply-To: The Railroad List <RAILROAD@...>,
"[iso-8859-1] Rafman?" <rafman2@...>
To: RAILROAD@...
Subject: For railfan hams: Tioga Central Railroad Mobile Special Event
Station 8/18

Tioga Central Railroad Mobile Special Event Station

"Nessmuck Amateur Radio Association of Wellsboro, PA will be sponsoring =
a special event station, W3BGK, Railroad Mobile on the Tioga Central =
Railroad Passenger Train, 18 August 2001. Times will correspond with the =
three (3) passenger trips that Saturday, 11:00AM ET, 1:00PM ET, and =
3:00PM ET.=20

Look for W3BGK Railroad Mobile on or about 7240 kHz depending upon band =
conditions. An attractive certificate will be sent to all stations =
worked. Radiograms will also be handled during each run.=20
Please join us for this fun railroad mobile event.=20

'73:=20

Kevin J. Hritz, W3QD=20

Contact: hritz@...

446. Cheap Rail Tickets

Yahoo group: hamrailfans
Date: 2001-08-12 05:33:41 UTC
From: Smokey Behr
Topic: 446 Message: 446

I'm planning on a little trip out East, and looking at the Amtrak website, and comparing the fares to those on the air travel websites, the fares are double the cheapest rate on Expedia or Travelocity. Is there a way to get cheap fares on Amtrak?

--
John "Smokey Behr" Gleichweit
IPN-CAL086 N5VZQ WNRW769
Incident Paging Network California Chapter Admin.
List Owner: SoCalFire@...
List Owner: IPN_Members@...
List Owner: IPN-CAL@...

447. still alive

Yahoo group: hamrailfans
Date: 2001-08-22 17:25:12 UTC
From: Chris & Kathleen
Topic: 438 Message: 447

Hi all
I have not seen a thing from this list in a long time.
is it still around ?

chris
wb8ypo@...

448. Re: [hamrailfans] still alive

Yahoo group: hamrailfans
Date: 2001-08-22 18:07:28 UTC
From: Neil McKie
Topic: 438 Message: 448

Yup!

Neil

Chris & Kathleen wrote:

> Hi all
> I have not seen a thing from this list in a long time.
> is it still around ?
>
> chris
> wb8ypo@...
>
>
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>
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449. Re: [hamrailfans] still alive

Yahoo group: hamrailfans
Date: 2001-08-22 17:25:45 UTC
From: Richard Zimmerman
Topic: 438 Message: 449

Yes, the list has been very slow lately.

BTW, are there any Railfans / Ham Radio operators in the Elkhart, Indiana area?

Thanks!

Goose

On Wed, 22 Aug 2001 11:07:28 -0700
Neil McKie <n.mckie@...> wrote:

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> Yup!
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> Neil
>
>
> Chris & Kathleen wrote:
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www.oli.org http://trainweb.org/ew

450. Railroad scanning in Portland,Oregon

Yahoo group: hamrailfans
Date: 2001-08-23 00:46:54 UTC
From: Jeremy
Topic: 450 Message: 450

Hello all
Just been doing some rail scanning in Portland and wonder if anyone has any ID's on any of these frequencies I have found activity on. Also wondering if anyone has any good lists of RR freq's for Oregon and California that they could share or good websites?
160.290
160.380
160.410
160.470
160.515
160.635
160.650
160.680
160.725
160.830
160.890
160.950
161.040
161.055
161.190
161.220
161.235
161.250
161.280
161.290
161.310
161.325
161.460
161.520

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451. Re: [hamrailfans] Railroad scanning in Portland,Oregon

Yahoo group: hamrailfans
Date: 2001-08-23 13:15:08 UTC
From: Neil McKie
Topic: 450 Message: 451

Since you live near Vancouver Washington,

You might visit the Sunday evening pizza gathering in SE Portland at Round Table Pizza. It's at SE Foster / SE 62nd at about 8pm. There, visit with Robert Quillin, N7RYX - who seems to have a good source of the local timetables which are loaded with your answers.

73,

Neil McKie - WA6KLA ...

Jeremy wrote:

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> ID's on any of these frequencies I have found activity on. Also wondering
> if anyone has any good lists of RR freq's for Oregon and California that
> they could share or good websites?
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> Do You Yahoo!?

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452. Train stealer radios for help

Yahoo group: hamrailfans
Date: 2001-08-31 23:55:36 UTC
From: Jeremy
Topic: 452 Message: 452

DALLAS (Reuters) - A Texas man who wanted to go "wherever the train takes me" was arrested when a stubborn brake stymied his efforts to steal a freight train and he radioed for help, officials said on Thursday.

Sheriff Bob Alford of Johnson County, about 45 miles (72 km) southwest of Dallas, said 22-year-old Kristopher Huie got caught because he used the train's radio to ask dispatchers how to release the brake.

Huie clambered aboard the parked Union Pacific Corp freight on Wednesday evening and managed to start the engines. But then he had trouble releasing a brake, and radioed Union Pacific dispatchers for help.

A passing conductor and engineer, alerted by the radio call, overpowered Huie and held him for the sheriff.

"I asked him what he wanted to do with the train and he said he wanted to visit his family and friends," Alford told Reuters. "I asked him where he was going and he said, 'Wherever the train takes me."'

"That was a full freight train. It could have been a disaster if he'd been able to move it," the sheriff said. It was not immediately clear how many rail cars were on the train. Huie was jailed and faced a felony charge of theft over $200,000.

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453. Fw: [OregonScan] Amtrak & Southern Pacific

Yahoo group: hamrailfans
Date: 2001-09-04 14:13:27 UTC
From: Harry Marnell
Topic: 453 Message: 453

Can someone help this guy?

Harry
http://members.home.net/marnells/4449.htm

----- Original Message -----
From: "Jeff Newton" <newton@...>
To: "OregonScan" <OregonScan@yahoogroups.com>
Cc: "nwscan" <nwscan@yahoogroups.com>
Sent: Tuesday, September 04, 2001 05:07
Subject: [OregonScan] Amtrak & Southern Pacific

Does anyone have a current listing for Amtrak?? Also, since Southern Pacific sold out to Union Pacific, does anyone know if the Eugene yard is still being watched by the SP Police and what freq that would use out there??

thanks -

Jeff

Jeff Newton
Director of Operations/owner
Oregon Fire Page
http://www.ofp.org
Incident Dispatcher: 508
OFP Email: admin@...
Regular Email: newton@...
Travel Email: ofp508@...
Emergency Email: ofp@...
Monitoring CB CH9/FRS CH1 462.5625 w/no tone
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454. "Railroad Jobs" links page updated

Yahoo group: hamrailfans
Date: 2001-09-05 16:09:50 UTC
From: Harry Marnell
Topic: 454 Message: 454

I've finally updated my "Railroad Jobs" links page, at
http://www.snowcrest.net/marnells/railjobs.htm

Harry

455. Napa Valley train....

Yahoo group: hamrailfans
Date: 2001-09-05 16:17:05 UTC
From: Chris Stubblefield
Topic: 455 Message: 455

Napa Valley train of yesteryear through Yountville, Oakville, Rutherford, and St. Helena had
a name. Does anyone know what it was?

Chris Stubblefield KC7HTL
amatuer radio 146.490/446.000
pager 360-740-5039

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456. UP trunked system in Portland Oregon, Wilamette Valley RR?

Yahoo group: hamrailfans
Date: 2001-09-06 03:40:04 UTC
From: Jeremy
Topic: 456 Message: 456

Just wondering if anyone has monitored the UP trunked system in Portland much. I am able to track it fine with my Bearcat 245 trunktracker, but have only been able to pick up one digital modulation ASTRO talkgroup the few times I have monitored it. Anyone else noticed anything else, analog talkgroups perhaps? Also is the Wilamette Valley RR still around? I put up some repeater equipment up for them about six years ago and programmed some radios for them, and just wondering if they are still there or if they folded or got bought out.
Jeremy

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457. Fw: [Calrailfans] canada runaway train broadcast

Yahoo group: hamrailfans
Date: 2001-09-08 17:50:06 UTC
From: Harry Marnell
Topic: 457 Message: 457

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----- Original Message -----
From: "Harry Marnell" <marnells@...>
To: "J. Groenke" <jgroenke@...>; <Calrailfans@yahoogroups.com>
Sent: Saturday, September 08, 2001 09:03
Subject: [Calrailfans] canada runaway train broadcast

I'll be netcasting some recorded stuff, including the runaway train and
probably the North Hollywood shootout (if I can get it to play right) for a
little while this morning, at http://166.90.143.134:10184 or
http://www.live365.com/stations/206488

harry

Upcoming Railfan Gatherings:
October 27th, SoCal meet and Metrolink Ride. Contact Super Dave Frevele
International Railfair, Roseville CA 2nd weekend in November

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458. UP changes a frequency ...

Yahoo group: hamrailfans
Date: 2001-09-08 21:13:02 UTC
From: Neil McKie
Topic: 458 Message: 458

Union Pacific ...

Klamath Falls north to Crescent Lake ... both in Oregon

Old 161.550 MHz

New 160.785 MHz

I was visiting Chemult Oregon a few days ago ... and noticed the Amtrak folks were no longer on the 161.550 MHz frequency ... the next morning, I found the new frequency,

73,

Neil McKie - WA6KLA

459. Re: [hamrailfans] UP changes a frequency ...

Yahoo group: hamrailfans
Date: 2001-09-09 01:50:11 UTC
From: Chris Stubblefield
Topic: 458 Message: 459

Neil, you did good, a tip of the hat to you!

Chris Stubblefield KC7HTL
amatuer radio 146.490/446.000
pager 360-740-5039

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http://dl.www.juno.com/get/tagj.

460. Re: [hamrailfans] UP changes a frequency ...

Yahoo group: hamrailfans
Date: 2001-09-09 14:32:23 UTC
From: Neil McKie
Topic: 458 Message: 460

Thank you,

Neil

Chris Stubblefield wrote:

> Neil, you did good, a tip of the hat to you!
>
> Chris Stubblefield KC7HTL
> amatuer radio 146.490/446.000
> pager 360-740-5039
>
> _____
> GET INTERNET ACCESS FROM JUNO!
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461. Re: [hamrailfans] UP changes a frequency

Yahoo group: hamrailfans
Date: 2001-09-09 17:44:14 UTC
From: Phil Kane
Topic: 461 Message: 461

> Date: Sat, 08 Sep 2001 14:13:02 -0700
> From: Neil McKie <n.mckie@...>

> Klamath Falls north to Crescent Lake ... both in Oregon
>
> Old 161.550 MHz
>
> New 160.785 MHz

Neil ....thanks a whole lot. I'll be making that run in a few weeks and it's good to have the latest info.

--
73 de K2ASP - Phil Kane

462. Just joined

Yahoo group: hamrailfans
Date: 2001-09-10 01:54:31 UTC
From: Greg
Topic: 462 Message: 462

Hello all.
I just joined this group. My name is Greg; call sign KD4HBR. I've been a railfan for all of my 30+ years and a ham for 10. I live in the Richmond, Virginia area. I currently use an Icom IC 2000H mobile for my "railhamming". I'm thinking about getting a Kenwood TM-G707A dual-band. Anyone have any thoughts on that for railfanning?
Greg.

463. (no subject)

Yahoo group: hamrailfans
Date: 2001-09-13 12:46:58 UTC
From: Richard Zimmerman
Topic: 463 Message: 463

Hello my railroad friends!

Is it possible we'll start seeing CN power on the Elkhart-Chicago trains now?

Richard

(FRI) The U.S. Surface Transportation Board approved the acquisition of the Wisconsin Central by the Canadian National. The acquisition increases Canadian National's 15,500 mile rail network by an additional 2,800 miles, giving CN new access to markets in cities that include Chicago, IL., Duluth, MN., Milwaukee, WI. and Superior, WI. (ffd: Reuters)

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Richard Zimmerman ke4rit@...
Information Systems Manager richard@...
K&B Transport, Inc.
Elkhart, Indiana Advanced SKYWARN weather spotter

Look Listen and Live! http://trainweb.org/rszx
Support Operation Lifesaver http://trainweb.org/sjv
www.oli.org http://trainweb.org/ew

464. Subscribing to hamrailfans ...

Yahoo group: hamrailfans
Date: 2001-09-13 18:16:25 UTC
From: Neil McKie
Topic: 464 Message: 464

I just got a request for info as how to subscribe to hamrailfans ...

Anybody?

Thanks in advance,

Neil - WA6KLA ...

465. Re: [hamrailfans] Subscribing to hamrailfans ...

Yahoo group: hamrailfans
Date: 2001-09-15 22:08:29 UTC
From: agentid4@aol.com
Topic: 464 Message: 465

Here is the URL to the main Hamrailfans home page....to join you must first be a member of YAHOO...but you can and should be able to do that sign up from this main page aas well... Once you are on this main page look for the "JOIN THIS GROUP" button and follow the prompts and fill in the blanks to become a member....here is the URL... http://groups.yahoo.com/group/hamrailfans AND HERE are all the other email address's you might need or want to pass on to your friend as well. Group Email Addresses For more information: http://stkntower.railfan.net/hamfans.html Post message: hamrailfans@yahoogroups.com Subscribe: hamrailfans-subscribe@yahoogroups.com Unsubscribe: hamrailfans-unsubscribe@yahoogroups.com List owner: hamrailfans-owner@yahoogroups.com Robert Mace KB8VJR Akron, Ohio

466. Re: [hamrailfans] Subscribing to hamrailfans ...

Yahoo group: hamrailfans
Date: 2001-09-20 02:49:13 UTC
From: Harry Marnell
Topic: 464 Message: 466

Send a blank email to hamrailfans-subscribe@yahoogroups.com

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----- Original Message -----
From: "Neil McKie" <n.mckie@...>
To: <hamrailfans@yahoogroups.com>
Sent: Thursday, September 13, 2001 11:16
Subject: [hamrailfans] Subscribing to hamrailfans ...

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> I just got a request for info as how to subscribe to hamrailfans ...
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> Anybody?
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> Thanks in advance,
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> Your use of Yahoo! Groups is subject to http://docs.yahoo.com/info/terms/
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467. L.A. area rail radio online?

Yahoo group: hamrailfans
Date: 2001-09-24 20:27:33 UTC
From: Harry Marnell
Topic: 467 Message: 467

Is anybody carrying an L.A. area rail scanner feed over the internet these days? Jim Groenke has a terrific feed out of the Roseville area in the north.

If you're here, Jim, what kind of radio/antenna setup are you using. Comes in like gangbusters...love it!

Harry
http://www.snowcrest.net/marnells/trolleys.htm

468. RE: [hamrailfans] Digest Number 229

Yahoo group: hamrailfans
Date: 2001-09-27 00:23:32 UTC
From: Brian Short
Topic: 468 Message: 468

The LA Audio feed hosted at www.remotebase.com now carries rail traffic as well.

If we get enough interest, we could setup a separate audio feed for rail only traffic.

Let me know, and good listening!

73
de
Shorty, kc0bs

-----Original Message-----
From: hamrailfans@yahoogroups.com [mailto:hamrailfans@yahoogroups.com]
Sent: Tuesday, September 25, 2001 4:38 AM
To: hamrailfans@yahoogroups.com
Subject: [hamrailfans] Digest Number 229

There is 1 message in this issue.

Topics in this digest:

1. L.A. area rail radio online?
From: "Harry Marnell" <marnells@...>

Message: 1
Date: Mon, 24 Sep 2001 13:27:33 -0700
From: "Harry Marnell" <marnells@...>
Subject: L.A. area rail radio online?

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469. RE: [hamrailfans] (unknown)

Yahoo group: hamrailfans
Date: 2001-09-27 16:44:45 UTC
From: Cameron Threats
Topic: 469 Message: 469

This just goes to prove, that the US has a price tag. If you want it, we will sell it to you. Lets just sell the Canadians the entire country and replace the flag with one BIGG Maple leaf !

----- Original Message -----

From: Richard
Zimmerman

To: Russ Rettig ;Ron Helzer - Home ;Rick Schwab ;Miller
Norton ;Jim
Fisher ;John
Trone ;Jeff
Johnston ;Jeff Hall ;HamRailfans ;Jason Powers ;Jason
Ciastko ;Don
Sillence ;Ernie Lyons ;Brook Gunning ;Bill Heath ;Allen
Weiner

Sent: 9/13/01 10:45:24 AM

Subject: [hamrailfans] (unknown)

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giving CN new access to markets in cities that include Chicago, IL.,
Duluth,

MN., Milwaukee, WI. and Superior, WI. (ffd: Reuters)

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--- Cameron Threats

--- ctthreats@...

--- EarthLink: It's your Internet.

470. Re: [hamrailfans] (unknown)

Yahoo group: hamrailfans
Date: 2001-09-27 23:26:19 UTC
From: Chris Stubblefield
Topic: 469 Message: 470

Unsubscribe please

Chris Stubblefield KC7HTL
amatuer radio 146.490/446.000
pager 360-740-5039

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471. Fw: [socalscan] glendale area railroad frequencies

Yahoo group: hamrailfans
Date: 2001-09-30 07:03:27 UTC
From: Harry Marnell
Topic: 471 Message: 471

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----- Original Message -----
From: <cobain3006@...>
To: <socalscan@yahoogroups.com>
Sent: Saturday, September 29, 2001 23:20
Subject: [socalscan] glendale area railroad frequencies

> i'd like to put a couple railroad frequencies on my
> live feed <http://ntshorty.homeip.net:8006>. i've never listened to
> railroad communications before and i have no idea where to start.
> i'd really appreciate it if you all could give me lists of your top 3
> railroad freqs in the LA/Glendale area and a brief description of
> what i'd be listening to.
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> cheers.
> cc
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472. (fwd) Train vs Vehicle

Yahoo group: hamrailfans
Date: 2001-10-03 05:14:42 UTC
From: Smokey Behr
Topic: 472 Message: 472

First alert of this incident. Be looking in tomorrow's papers or
tonight's 11pm news in L.A. for more

On Wed, 3 Oct 2001 00:55:12 -0400 (EDT), IPN <IPN@...> wrote:

>CAL| San Bernardino County (Helendale)| Train Derailment/Crash| 42.56| Indian/Lords|Veh
vs Train-RR has tracks closed| CAL000| 21:54

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John "Smokey Behr" Gleichweit
IPN-CAL086 N5VZQ WNRW769
Incident Paging Network California Chapter Admin.
List Owner: SoCalFire@YahooGroups.com
List Owner: IPN_Members@...
List Owner: IPN-CAL@YahooGroups.com

473. Amtraking across the USA

Yahoo group: hamrailfans
Date: 2001-10-10 04:59:04 UTC
From: Smokey Behr
Topic: 473 Message: 473

I've been working on a projected itinerary for a cross-country trip using Amtrak. I'm wondering how close I can cut my connections; i.e. the San Joaquin #711 arrives at MTZ at 1005, and the CZ #6 leaves MTZ at 1016. Am I sane to try and make this connection, or should I try to take the #712 to LAX (1610) and catch the SWC #4 from there (1845)?

Either one works to connect me with the LSL #48 at 1910...

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John "Smokey Behr" Gleichweit
IPN-CAL086 N5VZQ WNRW769
Incident Paging Network California Chapter Admin.
List Owner: SoCalFire@...
List Owner: IPN_Members@...
List Owner: IPN-CAL@...

474. Re: [hamrailfans] Amtraking across the USA

Yahoo group: hamrailfans
Date: 2001-10-10 05:30:01 UTC
From: Neil McKie
Topic: 473 Message: 474

I like trains too ... but now you know why I like my Suburban better ...

73,

Neil McKie

Smokey Behr wrote:

> I've been working on a projected itinerary for a cross-country trip
> using Amtrak. I'm wondering how close I can cut my connections; i.e.
> the San Joaquin #711 arrives at MTZ at 1005, and the CZ #6 leaves MTZ
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475. RR freqs for Columbia Gorge?

Yahoo group: hamrailfans
Date: 2001-10-12 05:04:58 UTC
From: Harry Marnell
Topic: 475 Message: 475

Can someone provide a good list of active RR freqs between Portland & The Dalles... both sides o' the river?

Thanks in advance.

Harry Marnell
http://www.qsl.net/n6uru/kma367.htm <~~ LAPD Communications Page

476. Military Moves

Yahoo group: hamrailfans
Date: 2001-10-13 04:28:24 UTC
From: Smokey Behr
Topic: 476 Message: 476

There was a tank (M1A1) load on a train this morning at 9 am in Fresno
Yard, and at 8:30pm this evening, it's gone.

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Incident Paging Network California Chapter Admin.
List Owner: SoCalFire@...
List Owner: IPN_Members@YahooGroups.com
List Owner: IPN-CAL@...

477. Foreign Power Report, UP Valley Sub, CA

Yahoo group: hamrailfans
Date: 2001-10-24 22:55:09 UTC
From: Smokey Behr
Topic: 477 Message: 477

Today on my way home I caught NS/SOU 4606 (GP59) behind UP 3841 (GP?) pulling an empty load of pipe flats back Northbound (Westbound). Here's an opportunity for someone between here and Roseville to get a shot of this oddity.

There was also a string of CAGX cars (with an RRRX and a CW[?] in the middle) headed Southbound (east) out of Fresno Yard with only a pair of UP units on point (sorry, no numbers). CAGX1168 for tracing.

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Incident Paging Network California Chapter Admin.
List Owner: SoCalFire@...
List Owner: IPN_Members@...
List Owner: IPN-CAL@...

478. Re: railroad question

Yahoo group: hamrailfans
Date: 2001-10-28 20:30:22 UTC
From: Harry Marnell
Topic: 478 Message: 478

There are lots of links to detectors and detector recordings (including the "STOP YOUR TRAIN! STOP YOUR TRAIN!" messages) at
http://www.google.com/search?q=defect+detector+wav+files&btnG=Google+Search

Harry Marnell
http://members.home.com/marnells/4449.htm

----- Original Message -----
From: "Bruce" <brumish@...>
To: <SCANnorCAL@yahoogroups.com>
Sent: Sunday, October 28, 2001 00:13
Subject: Re: <SCANnorCAL> railroad question

It is called a detector and it is placed evry so many miles so that it checks the cars for hot bearings or dragging equipment,so when the last car passes it you here a voice saying UP detector mile post**** no defects no defects,train speed****miles per hour,up detector out.
----- Original Message -----
From: <gefferycurtis@...>
To: <scannorcal@yahoogroups.com>
Sent: Sunday, October 28, 2001 12:23 AM
Subject: <SCANnorCAL> railroad question

>
> i recently installed an outside antenna and a recieved a lot more channels,
> but i have a question. on 161.31 out of redding i hear what sounds like a
> compuiterized voice every now and then. is this from a train or a stationary
> place?
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>
>
> Geffery Curtis
> gefferycurtis@... or geffcurtis@...
>
> www.geocities.com/geffcurtis
>
> Be sure to check out the "Files" and "Links" regularly. Go to them from the http://www.egroups.com/group/SCANnorCAL
> homepage.
>
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479. Nashville Union Station haunted?

Yahoo group: hamrailfans
Date: 2001-11-01 04:04:22 UTC
From: Harry Marnell
Topic: 479 Message: 479

The cable "Food Network" just finished broadcasting a show called "Haunted Restaurants," which ENDED with the story of the Nashville Union Station supposedly having been haunted..about 10 minutes worth of the story. It's a hotel/restaurant place now

According to my TV guide in Calif, the program will air again in three hours, 10:00 pm Pacific, 1:00 am eastern. See http://www.foodtv.com/foodtv/showGateway/0,6529,,00.html

IF you have nothing else to do on Halloween night.

BOO!

Harry

480. Your slides and difficulties with them

Yahoo group: hamrailfans
Date: 2001-11-06 01:53:06 UTC
From: Wil Brubaker
Topic: 480 Message: 480

Do any of you take slides, as opposed to prints? Do you, or the store you take the exposed rolls to, use Kodak Processing? Have the slides recently been mounted properly, or backwards?

I have had two rolls in to The Camera Shop/Ritz Camera, in Philadelphia, who claim they use Kodak processing, and every slide has come back mounted backwards, with the blank side of the mount labeled, "This side towards the screen." You too? And I am MAD about it. Kodak sent a note back, saying they have changed.

Has this happened to you too? Kodak's EMail address is Kodak.com if you want to EMail them. Otherwise, Rochester NY will do for a snail-mail address.

Yours trolley,
Wil Brubaker

481. Re: [hamrailfans] Your slides and difficulties with them

Yahoo group: hamrailfans
Date: 2001-11-06 22:28:32 UTC
From: SCOTT HAVENS
Topic: 480 Message: 481

And what does THIS have to do with anything??

SRH/AB2V
CSX Yeoman & Valrico Subs
Tampa Bay, FL

>From: "Wil Brubaker" <wil8apcc@...>
>
>Do any of you take slides, as opposed to prints? ...

_____
Get your FREE download of MSN Explorer at http://explorer.msn.com/intl.asp

482. Re: [hamrailfans] Your slides and difficulties with them

Yahoo group: hamrailfans
Date: 2001-11-07 00:01:21 UTC
From: djames@mlode.com
Topic: 480 Message: 482

It has to do with photography of trains, which many of us railfans are interested in.
I shoot nothing but slides. I don't shoot Kodachrome because of Kodak labs destroying too many slides. It has happened to a lot of my friends. I now shoot strictly Fujichrome and send them to Fuji or Adorama labs.
Dick James
-----Original Message-----
From: SCOTT HAVENS <havpubs@...>
To: hamrailfans@yahoogroups.com <hamrailfans@yahoogroups.com>
Date: Tuesday, November 06, 2001 2:28 PM
Subject: Re: [hamrailfans] Your slides and difficulties with them

>And what does THIS have to do with anything??
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>CSX Yeoman & Valrico Subs
>Tampa Bay, FL
>
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>>From: "Wil Brubaker" <wil8apcc@...>
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>>Do any of you take slides, as opposed to prints? ...
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>_____
>Get your FREE download of MSN Explorer at http://explorer.msn.com/intl.asp
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483. Fw: 13 Jan 1952, Yuba Gap, California

Yahoo group: hamrailfans
Date: 2001-11-16 19:06:24 UTC
From: Harry Marnell
Topic: 483 Message: 483

Forwarded from ESPEE@yahoogroups.com

----- Original Message -----
From: <mike.tisdale@...>
To: <Espee@yahoogroups.com>
Sent: Friday, November 16, 2001 09:49
Subject: [Espee] 13 Jan 1952, Yuba Gap, California

> On 13 Jan 1952, SP's train 101, the "City of San Francisco", became
> snowbound at Yuba Gap, California. This coming January will mark the
> 50th anniversary of this event and the heroic efforts of many people
> to relieve the passengers and crew. Two men died in the rescue
> effort, but no passengers suffered serious injury.

> 13 Jan 2002 is a Sunday. Would anyone on the list be interested in
> meeting at Yuba Gap (where I-80 and State Route 20 meet, a few miles
> east of Emigrant Gap) on that Sunday for a few hours of rail
> photography, family snow play, and rememberance of the people
> involved in the rescue?
>
> Mike T. <mike.tisdale@...>
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>
> "Your Friendly Southern Pacific"
> Espee Modelers Home Page http://espee.railfan.net/espee.html
>
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[Non-text portions of this message have been removed]

484. Introduction

Yahoo group: hamrailfans
Date: 2001-11-21 20:09:35 UTC
From: wayne
Topic: 484 Message: 484

I'm new to this group . I use to live in North Central Arkansas along the MO-Pac route now living by no tracks in New Hampshire miss that crossing gate and the sound of amtrak at 3 in the morning .

73's
kc5wxc

wayne

485. ADMIN NOTE...YAHOO DOWNTIME??

Yahoo group: hamrailfans
Date: 2001-12-06 07:09:55 UTC
From: David Epling
Topic: 485 Message: 485

Hi all, I am seeing on another list an announcement that yahoo will be down this weekend for 24-48 hours, I have NOT been able to confirm this, but as I am getting on a train in just under 36 hours to head to California for the Stockton Tower meeting on the 8th in Stockton, I may never get a response from yahoo...I am told that one of the things yahoo is doing is eliminating some of the archives...again unconfirmed.

[Non-text portions of this message have been removed]

486. New poll for hamrailfans

Yahoo group: hamrailfans
Date: 2001-12-07 16:36:34 UTC
From: hamrailfans@yahoogroups.com
Topic: 486 Message: 486

Enter your vote today! A new poll has been created for the
hamrailfans group:

WHAN YOU RAILSPOTT WHAT DO YOU USE MORE?

o REPEATERS
o SIMPLEX

To vote, please visit the following web page:

http://groups.yahoo.com/group/hamrailfans/polls

Note: Please do not reply to this message. Poll votes are
not collected via email. To vote, you must go to the Yahoo! Groups
web site listed above.

Thanks!

487. Database

Yahoo group: hamrailfans
Date: 2001-12-07 16:55:32 UTC
From: Fbs1050@aol.com
Topic: 487 Message: 487

Hello all,
I'm new to the list and I was wondering... what's the hamrailfans Database on the list website @ Yahoo groups? Tnx
73,
Mike
KB3HFP

488. Re: [hamrailfans] New poll for hamrailfans

Yahoo group: hamrailfans
Date: 2001-12-11 06:53:20 UTC
From: Neil McKie
Topic: 488 Message: 488

Can't do your poll ... yahoo want's me to sign up - something I simply refuse to do. I get enough crap from various sources now ... without signing up for yahoo.

If you have some questions, just ask here,

Neil - WA6KLA ...

hamrailfans@yahoogroups.com wrote:

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> Note: Please do not reply to this message. Poll votes are
> not collected via email. To vote, you must go to the Yahoo! Groups
> web site listed above.
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> Thanks!
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489. Continuous Carnage Dept., Bakersfield, CA Sub.

Yahoo group: hamrailfans
Date: 2001-12-14 02:59:44 UTC
From: Smokey Behr
Topic: 489 Message: 489

http://www.fresnobee.com/local/story/1312050p-1380443c.html

Train crash kills seven
Farmworkers apparently lived near Shafter.
By Marc Benjamin
The Fresno Bee
(Published Thursday, December, 13, 2001 10:15AM)

Seven farmworkers died Wednesday near Shafter when the van they were riding in was hit by an Amtrak train at a railroad crossing.
The accident about 19 miles northwest of Bakersfield killed all the men inside the Ford Aerostar.

The southbound Amtrak train was traveling 79 mph at 4 p.m. when the van crossed its path near Highway 43. It struck the passenger side of the van, folding the vehicle underneath the train before coming to a stop about a half-mile south of the initial impact.

Although the van carried farmworkers, it was not a farm-labor vehicle, authorities said.

"This was just a typical Ford Aerostar van. Each man had a seat and a seat belt," California Highway Patrol Officer Greg Williams said. "It's not registered to a farm, and it's not a company vehicle."

He said victims' relatives began arriving at the scene about 7 p.m. Williams believes all the victims are from the Shafter-Wasco area.

The Poplar Avenue crossing of the Burlington Northern Santa Fe tracks has flashing lights and loud ringing bells, but no crossing arms. Williams said the transition from the road to the tracks is smooth.

Williams said the train's engineer reported seeing the van slowing as it approached the rural crossing.

"He thought the van was going to stop," Williams said the engineer told officers. "He said he saw the minivan slow down and then it crept across the track and was broadsided."

Williams said it appeared the men were returning home after a day of work in the fields.

"We don't know why [the van driver] didn't stop," Williams said. "The engineer said he just kept rolling. ... He approached the tracks going really slow."

Shafter Police Chief John Zrofsky was the first officer at the grisly accident scene less than a mile north of the city of 12,000.

Five of the victims were inside the van after the collision, and two were ejected, Zrofsky said. Their bodies were found near the crossing, he said.

"It was obvious there were people inside the vehicle and there was massive damage to the van," Zrofsky said. "We searched inside the vehicle and were able to locate five individuals inside. We attempted to give medical treatment, and all of them showed no signs of life."

He said the men inside the van died almost immediately.

"The degree of damage was catastrophic -- massive, crushing injuries were apparent in all the victims," Zrofsky said. "The vehicle is completely wrapped around the front of the train and compressed to about half its normal width. The thing was so mangled, we will be lucky to get any identifying material out of the car, maybe from one of their wallets."

The CHP was investigating the accident.

The train was carrying 82 passengers and 10 crew members. Nobody aboard the train was injured. The train's riders were taken by bus to Bakersfield.

The collision, which took place on a section of railroad with only one set of tracks, delayed two other Amtrak trains. They were being held Wednesday night at a site near the crash while authorities investigated the crash.

Officials said they hoped to have the rail line reopened by this morning.

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Incident Paging Network California Chapter Admin.
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List Owner: IPN_Members@...
List Owner: IPN-CAL@...

490. Continuous Carnage Department, BNSF Stockton Sub.

Yahoo group: hamrailfans
Date: 2001-12-20 22:47:12 UTC
From: Smokey Behr
Topic: 490 Message: 490

Today at about 1200, Amtrak 713 hit a passenger vehicle at the West Avenue grade crossing in the City of Fresno (approximate milepost 1004). The single occupant of the vehicle was extricated and taken to an area hospital, with condition unknown as of this writing.

The crew of the 713, with CTDX 2082 on point, standard 5 car consist, including cab car at the rear, are all fine, with the headend crew being relieved with a crew deadheading on the 714.

Damage to the car, a late model Dodge or Chrysler 4-door, was extensive. Damage to the 2082 (a GE P32-8) was limited to some scraped paint on the plow.

The 713 will be approximately 60-90 minutes late on arrival to destinations north of Fresno.

Pictures of this incident will be available online soon, and more information will be posted as it comes available.

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491. "BOLO for Santa" broadcast Xmas Eve on Orange County CA Sheriff's RED Frequency

Yahoo group: hamrailfans
Date: 2001-12-25 13:44:57 UTC
From: Harry Marnell
Topic: 491 Message: 491

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This email message is a notification to let you know that
a file has been uploaded to the Files area of the in-progress
group.

File : /santa-alert.wav
Uploaded by : mountain1 <mountain@...>
Description : BOLO call for Santa broadcast Xmas Eve on Orange County
Sheriff's RED Frequency

Anyone, including non-subscribers, can access this file at the URL

http://groups.yahoo.com/group/in-progress/files/santa-alert.wav
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492. Fw: VHF-UHF Rail Freq Table

Yahoo group: hamrailfans
Date: 2001-12-28 15:01:25 UTC
From: Richard Zimmerman
Topic: 492 Message: 492

Hello all!

I've been getting requests from my fellow local railfans for a railroad frequency list. Just so happens that this email flew across another email list I'm subscribed to this morning. I'm sure there are additions, corrections and exceptions but here's a starting point.

Richard

Begin forwarded message:

Date: Thu, 27 Dec 2001 12:49:28 -0500
From: Rafman? <rafman2@...>
To: RAILROAD@...
Subject: VHF-UHF Rail Freq Table

Channel - Frequency

Ch	Freq.	Ch	Freq.	Ch	Freq.	Ch	Freq.
02	159.810	26	160.500	50	160.860	74	161.220
03	159.930	27	160.515	51	160.875	75	161.235
04	160.050	28	160.530	52	160.890	76	161.250
05	160.185	29	160.545	53	160.905	77	161.265
06	160.200	30	160.560	54	160.920	78	161.280
07	160.215	31	160.575	55	160.935	79	161.295
08	160.230	32	160.590	56	160.950	80	161.310
09	160.245	33	160.605	57	160.965	81	161.325
10	160.260	34	160.620	58	160.980	82	161.340
11	160.275	35	160.635	59	160.995	83	161.355
12	160.290	36	160.650	60	161.010	84	161.370
13	160.305	37	160.665	61	161.025	85	161.385
14	160.320	38	160.680	62	161.040	86	161.400
15	160.335	39	160.695	63	161.055	87	161.415
16	160.350	40	160.710	64	161.070	88	161.430
17	160.365	41	160.725	65	161.085	89	161.445
18	160.380	42	160.740	66	161.100	90	161.460
19	160.395	43	160.755	67	161.115	91	161.475
20	160.410	44	160.770	68	161.130	92	161.490
21	160.425	45	160.785	69	161.145	93	161.505
22	160.440	46	160.800	70	161.160	94	161.520
23	160.455	47	160.815	71	161.175	95	161.535
24	160.470	48	160.830	72	161.190	96	161.550
25	160.485	49	160.845	73	161.205	97	161.565

UHF Railroad

452.900 457.9000 452.9250 457.9250 452.9500
457.950 452.9125 457.9125 452.9375 457.9375

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Richard Zimmerman ke4rit@...
System Administrator richard@...
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Look Listen and Live! http://trainweb.org/rszx
Support Operation Lifesaver http://trainweb.org/sjv
www.oli.org http://trainweb.org/ew

493. Admin Note

Yahoo group: hamrailfans
Date: 2001-12-28 18:06:33 UTC
From: David Epling
Topic: 493 Message: 493

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494. Re: [hamrailfans] Admin Note

Yahoo group: hamrailfans
Date: 2001-12-28 18:11:27 UTC
From: Neil McKie
Topic: 493 Message: 494

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Thanks for its existance,

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495. Continuous Carnage Department, UP Fresno Sub, CA

Yahoo group: hamrailfans
Date: 2001-12-28 19:09:30 UTC
From: Smokey Behr
Topic: 495 Message: 495

http://www.fresnobee.com/local/story/1373758p-1443206c.html

Toddler killed by train recalled
Curiosity is thought to have led a Tulare boy, 2, to train tracks.
By Jennifer Fitzenberger
The Fresno Bee

TULARE -- Marc Anthony Moreno was an inquisitive boy who played with toy trains and cars and liked it when the garbage truck traveled past his Tulare home.
The 2-year-old's curiosity likely led to his death Sunday when a train speeding through Tulare slammed into his tiny body while his mother, Ana Franco, vacuumed her car at a nearby coin-operated car wash.

"I'm thinking he took off to go see the train," Franco said Monday as tears dripped down her cheeks. "He probably just wanted to get a closer look."

Franco had hoped to spend Christmas Eve laughing with relatives and watching Marc open gifts at midnight. Instead, Franco sat on her mother's couch, mourning the loss of Marc and comforting her other son, 7-year-old Jeremiah Ruiz.

"I thought it was going to be a good Christmas, too," Jeremiah said Monday in a weak voice as he clutched a stuffed penguin he had received from a police officer.

Franco went to the Tulare Car Wash on San Joaquin Avenue near J Street about 11:30 a.m. Sunday to clean the inside of her car.

She asked Marc and Jeremiah, who were sitting in the back seat, to get out of the car so she could vacuum it. The boys climbed out and began to play around the car and at a nearby dirt lot between the car wash and the train tracks.

Franco said she yelled to her boys and asked Jeremiah to hold open the car door while she vacuumed.

As Jeremiah held the door, Franco saw Marc standing near the vacuum.

Franco went back to her cleaning, then heard the sound of an approaching train and got a feeling that Marc had run off somewhere.

"I looked up and said, 'J, where's Baby?' " said Franco, 24.

Franco and her older son then searched the car wash for Marc.

"I was like, 'Where is he? He has to be here somewhere,' " Franco said. "Then we looked at each other and took off toward the field."

At first, Franco saw no sign of her son. Then Marc's maroon sweater vest caught her eye.

Marc was lying lifeless on the rocky ground behind one of the crossing arms. His skull was shattered. His lips were purple.

A southbound Union Pacific freight train traveling from Seattle to Los Angeles about 60 mph had hit the boy, who had been standing just east of the tracks.

A crew member on the train saw the boy 100 to 150 yards before impact, Tulare police Lt. Jerry Breckinridge said.

"When he saw the little boy, he sounded his horn and applied the brakes, but with the speed of the train there was no way to stop in time," Breckinridge said.

Mike Furtney, a spokesman for Union Pacific, said freight trains usually travel between 40 mph and 60 mph. It can take more than a mile for a train to come to a halt, he said.

Furtney said the crew -- an engineer and a conductor -- likely will take some time off work and receive counseling. He said he didn't know which crew member had spotted the boy.

"You can't really fault a 2-year-old child," Furtney said. "It's a terrible thing to happen anytime, especially around the holidays."

Horrible thoughts raced through Franco's mind as she kneeled next to her dead son.

"I was thinking, 'Why? Not him. Not my baby,' " Franco said. "To me it was a bad dream. I wanted to wake up. It wasn't happening."

Jeremiah, who stood a few feet behind his mother, started to cry.

A woman parked at the railroad crossing got out of her car and handed Franco a black coat to put over the boy. The woman patted Franco's back while saying, "It's OK. He's in a better place."

"I wrapped my arm around [the coat] and scooped him up into my lap. He was getting colder and colder as time went by," Franco said. "I was stuck in a daze, just trying to breathe and letting it sink in."

Paramedics arrived and covered Marc's body with a yellow tarpaulin. They covered Franco with a white blanket.

Franco on Monday held that blanket close to her chest. It comforts her when she remembers Marc and how he loved to play outside and receive hugs and kisses.

Franco glanced at an unopened gift for Marc near the Christmas tree in her mother's living room. Marc would have loved to rip open the colorful paper and find the Power Wheels ride-in Jeep.

"I just have to get used to him not being around," Franco said. "It was nice to have him here for the time I did."

Funeral services are pending. Donations to the Franco family can be placed in California Federal Bank, account No. 9884005506.

The reporter can be reached at jfitzenberger@... or 622-2419.

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496. Continuous Carnage Department, UP Fresno Sub, CA (follow-up)

Yahoo group: hamrailfans
Date: 2001-12-28 19:16:36 UTC
From: Smokey Behr
Topic: 495 Message: 496

http://www.fresnobee.com/local/story/1380105p-1449521c.html

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Yahoo group: hamrailfans
Date: 2001-12-28 19:23:05 UTC
From: David Epling
Topic: 495 Message: 497

My A$$....if mom had been paying attention to her 2 year old kid to begin with the accident would never had happened.

----- Original Message -----
From: Smokey Behr
To: TheOSList@yahoogroups.com ; calrailfans@egroups.com ; RailScan@egroups.com ; hamrailfans@yahoogroups.com
Sent: Friday, December 28, 2001 11:16 AM
Subject: [hamrailfans] Continuous Carnage Department, UP Fresno Sub, CA (follow-up)

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498. Re: [hamrailfans] Admin Note

Yahoo group: hamrailfans
Date: 2001-12-28 19:26:02 UTC
From: David Epling
Topic: 493 Message: 498

Your welcome, It didn't used to be that way..but other RR lists got nailed like 3 times within a week of each other a couple of months ago.

----- Original Message -----
From: Neil McKie
To: hamrailfans@yahoogroups.com
Sent: Friday, December 28, 2001 10:11 AM
Subject: Re: [hamrailfans] Admin Note

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499. Railroading's link to New Year's Eve

Yahoo group: hamrailfans
Date: 2002-01-01 02:55:08 UTC
From: ham148@aol.com
Topic: 499 Message: 499

This is is news to me, but an interesting sidebar as we welcome another year of railfanning: Take a look at: http://www.snowcrest.net/marnells/lombardo.htm And Happy 2002! Harry Marnell [Non-text portions of this message have been removed]

500. Re: [hamrailfans] Railroading's link to New Year's Eve

Yahoo group: hamrailfans
Date: 2002-01-02 23:50:55 UTC
From: Neil McKie
Topic: 499 Message: 500

Groan ... Happy New Year, Neil McKie - WA6KLA ... ham148@... wrote: > This is is news to me, but an interesting sidebar as we welcome another year > of railfanning: > > Take a look at: > > http://www.snowcrest.net/marnells/lombardo.htm > > And Happy 2002! > > Harry Marnell > > [Non-text portions of this message have been removed] > > > > > Your use of Yahoo! Groups is subject to http://docs.yahoo.com/info/terms/

501. JIM ROMELFANGER, K9ZZ, SK

Yahoo group: hamrailfans
Date: 2002-01-05 00:29:45 UTC
From: Ron R - KD5CYW
Topic: 501 Message: 501

He will be missed...
He really did up the Circus Train Onboard and Station sites Ham Radio deal as one of his favorite projects. I listened to them a few times on the Shortwave Radio (HF). May the circus train continue on as in the past July's.
Ron

==> From ARRL newslist.....
BADGER STATE SMOKE SIGNALS EDITOR JIM ROMELFANGER, K9ZZ, SK

A voice for Amateur Radio in Wisconsin has gone silent. Jim Romelfanger, K9ZZ, of Baraboo, died December 22 at his home after suffering an apparent heart attack. He was 60. An ARRL Life Member, Romelfanger had served as Wisconsin's Public Information Coordinator. He also was the editor of the Badger State Smoke Signals, a Wisconsin Amateur Radio newspaper.

K9ZZ was a prime mover behind the annual Circus World Museum Circus Train Amateur Radio special event each summer and a guiding force in efforts to see a ham radio antenna bill enacted in Wisconsin.

"Jim was a force in Wisconsin Amateur Radio for many years, and he will be missed," said ARRL Wisconsin Section Manager Don Michalski, W9IXG.

A polio patient as a youngster in the mid-1950s, Romelfanger was first licensed in 1958 as KN6LWB, later K6LWB, on the West Coast. He became K9PKQ after moving back to his native Wisconsin and later obtained K9ZZ via the vanity call sign program. Romelfanger was a charter member of the Yellow Thunder Amateur Radio Club.

An ARRL member for 40 years, Romelfanger was a contributor to various Amateur Radio publications, including QST, CQ and Popular Electronics, the ARRL Web site, and The ARRL Letter.

In addition to his Amateur Radio-related activities, Romelfanger edited the monthly newsletter of the Sauk County chapter of Wisconsin Right to Life. An accomplished photographer, his photos appeared in the Baraboo News Republic and the Wisconsin State Journal. He also once worked at the Badger Army Ammunition Plant and later participated in the filming of a documentary on the facility, which has been shut down.

He enjoyed a radio career at stations in Nebraska and Wisconsin. In his later years he appeared in a television ad campaign for HIS jeans and was an extra in the Julia Roberts-Nick Nolte film I Love Trouble. Among his friends he counted Dean Torrance of the surfing music duo Jan and Dean.

A service was held December 28. Memorial gifts are invited to the St Vincent DePaul Society, the American Heart Association, the Wisconsin

State Historical Society, Wisconsin Right to Life or mass offerings.

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73's
Ron Roman, KD5CYW
Altus, OK
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502. [fwd] Uniden FINALLY unveils their two digital scanners

Yahoo group: hamrailfans
Date: 2002-01-06 18:56:42 UTC
From: Ron R - KD5CYW
Topic: 502 Message: 502

Here ya go....

------- Forwarded Message Follows -------
Date sent: 6 Jan 2002 18:20:54 -0000
From: RailHams@yahoogroups.com

The list's web page is:
http://groups.yahoo.com/group/RailHams

To unsubscribe from this group, send an email to:
RailHams-unsubscribe@yahoogroups.com

RailHam Simplex
146.490, 146.565, 223.620, 446.050 and 1294.425
100 Hz PL or 152 DCS

There is 1 message in this issue.
Message: 1
Date: Sat, 5 Jan 2002 14:59:29 -0800
From: "Harry Marnell" <marnells@...>
Subject: Uniden FINALLY unveils their two digital scanners

In case you haven't seen the news already, Uniden is set to officially
announce their two new digital scanners - a base/mobile and a portable - on
Tuesday. Here's a sneak-preview of their press release...

http://www.snowcrest.net/marnells/uniden-digital.htm

Harry Marnell
http://www.snowcrest.net/marnells/kma367.htm <~~ LAPD Communications
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503. Fw: RE: [Calrailfans]Tuning scanners to Railfan Ham channels

Yahoo group: hamrailfans
Date: 2002-01-08 04:25:14 UTC
From: Harry Marnell
Topic: 503 Message: 503

Someone care to give these folks an answer...I think they're talking about the SF Bay area. Didn't there used to be a railfan net on weds nights there... 147.33 or some such?

73
Harry / N6URU.....

From: "Huggins, Michael" <michael.huggins@s...>
Date: Mon Jan 7, 2002 2:03 pm
Subject: Tuning scanners to Railfan Ham channels

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Mococo and Hamless Mike

WHICH RECEIVED THIS REPLY>>>

From: "babydot94513" <davisdogs@...>
To: <Calrailfans@yahoogroups.com>
Sent: Monday, January 07, 2002 18:04
Subject: [Calrailfans] Re: Tuning scanners to Railfan Ham channels

> --- In Calrailfans@y..., Clark Martin <clarkm@p...> wrote:
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> them."
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> What are railfan ham frequencies and what are the frequencies???
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504. Re: [hamrailfans] Digest Number 253

Yahoo group: hamrailfans
Date: 2002-01-08 18:38:37 UTC
From: Ron R - KD5CYW
Topic: 504 Message: 504

Harry, Pass this On.....
Thanks,

I think the 147.330 is the Mt Diablo 2M Ham radio site, when I was in CA last month on Vacation, I did not here it, also it is not listed in the Freq Call Book, did they shut down that repeater? They may have changed freq's? I'm not there so I don't know.
Try this for Ham repeaters... there may be some Activity on Railroading, just got to listen in.
http://www.artscipub.com/repeaters

Also try... he is a RailHam and has a nice site.
http://www.wm6d.net

They use this as a Ham Railfan type of talk, for folks who are Hams and Rail something of Fans, workers or like trains, they chat about everything on railroad Ops, train spotting, and such is the likes of it. Retransmission of any radio other than the Ham Bands (even ham bands fall into Ham/Ham re-trans) is violation of FCC rules, and can jepardize a Hams radio lic and such.

Now the Ham Railfans are railfans with their Ham radio ticket that may be out Railfanning and OS'ing trains on simplex Freq's, some of the known ones are.....

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Or some do HF (shortwave) talk nets....
Here are some HF rail nets on the air.

Saturday 8:00am EST 7.272 SSB RAG
Monday 8:00pm EST 3.683 CW RAG -This is in Morse Code- may use RR morse...
Monday 9:00pm EST 3.923 SSB RAG
Wed. 6.00am EST 3.930 SSB ROCO (Europe)
Wed. 11.00am EST 14.282 SSB FIRAC
Friday 7.00pm EST 3.930 SSB BOCO (Europe)

Hope this helps a bit.....
Ron KD5CYW

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On 8 Jan 02, at 16:06, hamrailfans@yahoogroups.com, hamrailfans@yahoogroups.com <hamrailfans@yahoogroups.com> wrote on [hamrailfans] Digest Number 253:
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Subject: [hamrailfans] Digest Number 253
Send reply to: hamrailfans@yahoogroups.com

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Date: 2002-01-08 19:56:21 UTC
From: Wil Brubaker
Topic: 505 Message: 505

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506. Re: [hamrailfans] Digest Number 253

Yahoo group: hamrailfans
Date: 2002-01-08 19:57:14 UTC
From: Harry Marnell
Topic: 504 Message: 506

OK, thanks Ron

73
Harry / N6URU

http://members.home.com/marnells/4449.htm

----- Original Message -----
From: "Ron R - KD5CYW" <rroman@...>
To: <hamrailfans@yahoogroups.com>
Sent: Tuesday, January 08, 2002 10:38
Subject: Re: [hamrailfans] Digest Number 253

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> Hope this helps a bit.....
> Ron KD5CYW
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hamrailfans@yahoogroups.com <hamrailfans@yahoogroups.com> wrote on
[hamrailfans] Digest Number 253:
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> Date sent: 8 Jan 2002 16:06:37 -0000
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> > From: "Harry Marnell" <marnells@...>
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> > Message: 1
> > Date: Mon, 7 Jan 2002 20:25:14 -0800
> > From: "Harry Marnell" <marnells@...>
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> > the SF Bay area. Didn't there used to be a railfan net on weds nights
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> > Harry / N6URU.....
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> > Date: Mon Jan 7, 2002 2:03 pm
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> > To: <Calrailfans@yahoogroups.com>
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507. Re: [hamrailfans] In 1981, actress Natalie

Yahoo group: hamrailfans
Date: 2002-01-08 19:58:32 UTC
From: Harry Marnell
Topic: 505 Message: 507

Geez....I don't know which was worse...the virus 10 minutes ago or the joke NOW! <g>

harry

----- Original Message -----
From: "Wil Brubaker" <wil8apcc@...>
Sent: Tuesday, January 08, 2002 11:56
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508. RE: [hamrailfans] In 1981, actress Natalie

Yahoo group: hamrailfans
Date: 2002-01-08 20:08:10 UTC
From: Fletcher, Robert L SPK
Topic: 505 Message: 508

Sure glad I have my hip boots! :-)

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rfletcher@...

-----Original Message-----
From: Harry Marnell [mailto:marnells@...]
Sent: Tuesday, January 08, 2002 11:59 AM
To: hamrailfans@yahoogroups.com
Cc: Wil Brubaker
Subject: Re: [hamrailfans] In 1981, actress Natalie

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509. Re: [hamrailfans] Fw: RE: [Calrailfans]Tuning scanners to Railfan Ham channels

Yahoo group: hamrailfans
Date: 2002-01-08 20:08:12 UTC
From: Neil McKie
Topic: 503 Message: 509

My experience with rail-faning is ... my dual band ham radio- the 2 meter band module is on the rail frequencies ... the 440 MHz band module is for hamming. I usually listen to the local 440 MHz ham repeater (when I am in range) in case someone wants to compare comments. If out in the pucker-brush, I usually leave the 440 MHz band off.

I can always listen to the 3 meter band ... and frequently do.

An earlier post suggested that 446.050 MHz Simplex was for rail-hams ... I've never used that frequency before - usually prefer to be on 446.000 MHz Simplex.

Comments?

73,

Neil McKie - WA6KLA ...

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510. Re: [hamrailfans] Digest Number 253

Yahoo group: hamrailfans
Date: 2002-01-08 20:33:32 UTC
From: Neil McKie
Topic: 504 Message: 510

After reading your HF net listings below, do you have any HF net info for the west coast?

Thank you,

Neil McKie - WA6KLA ...

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511. Re: [hamrailfans] In 1981, actress Natalie

Yahoo group: hamrailfans
Date: 2002-01-08 20:35:42 UTC
From: Neil McKie
Topic: 505 Message: 511

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Neil

Harry Marnell wrote:

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512. RE: [hamrailfans] In 1981, actress Natalie/JOKES

Yahoo group: hamrailfans
Date: 2002-01-08 20:39:18 UTC
From: Fletcher, Robert L SPK
Topic: 512 Message: 512

We all do, BRING THEM ON!
ONLY CHANGE THE SUBJECT LINE TO; "JOKES"

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-----Original Message-----
From: Neil McKie [mailto:n.mckie@...]
Sent: Tuesday, January 08, 2002 12:36 PM
To: hamrailfans@yahoogroups.com
Subject: Re: [hamrailfans] In 1981, actress Natalie

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513. Re: JOKES

Yahoo group: hamrailfans
Date: 2002-01-08 20:42:34 UTC
From: Neil McKie
Topic: 513 Message: 513

... ok ...

"Fletcher, Robert L SPK" wrote:

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514. Jokes - Re: Who You Callin' A Dummy?

Yahoo group: hamrailfans
Date: 2002-01-08 20:46:37 UTC
From: Neil McKie
Topic: 514 Message: 514

Jim wrote:

> Subject: Exam question
> >
> > The following concerns a question in a physics degree exam at the
> > University of Copenhagen: "Describe how to determine the height of a
> > skyscraper with a barometer."
> >
> > One student replied: "You tie a long piece of string to the neck of the
> > barometer, then lower the barometer from the roof of the skyscraper to the
> > ground. The length of the string plus the length of the barometer will
> > equal the height of the building." This highly original answer so incensed
> > the examiner that the student was failed immediately.
> >
> > The student appealed on the grounds that his answer was indisputably
> > correct, and the university appointed an independent arbiter to decide the
> > case. The arbiter judged that the answer was indeed correct, but did not
> > display any noticeable knowledge of physics. To resolve the problem it was
> > decided to call the student in and allow him six minutes in which to
> > provide a verbal answer which showed at least a minimal familiarity with
> > the basic principles of physics.
> >
> > For five minutes the student sat in silence, forehead creased in thought.
> > The arbiter reminded him that time was running out, to which the student
> > replied that he had several extremely relevant answers, but couldn't make
> > up his mind which to use. On being advised to hurry up the student replied
> > as follows:
> >
> > "Firstly, you could take the barometer up to the roof of the skyscraper,
> > drop it over the edge, and measure the time it takes to reach the ground.
> > The height of the building can then be worked out from the formula H=0.5g
> > xt squared. But bad luck on the barometer.
> > Or if the sun is shining you could measure the height of the barometer,
> > then set it on end and measure the length of its shadow. Then you measure
> > the length of the skyscraper's shadow, and thereafter it is a simple matter
> > of proportional arithmetic to work out the height of the skyscraper.
> >
> > But if you wanted to be highly scientific about it, you could tie a short
> > piece of string to the barometer and swing it like a pendulum, first at
> > ground level and then on the roof of the skyscraper. The height is worked
> > out by the difference in the gravitational restoring force T = 2 x pi x
> > square root(L/g).
> >
> > Or if the skyscraper has an outside emergency staircase, it would be
> > easier to walk up it and mark off the height of the skyscraper in barometer

> > lengths, then add them up.
> >
> > If you merely wanted to be boring and orthodox about it, of course, you
> > could use the barometer to measure the air pressure on the roof of the
> > skyscraper and on the ground, and convert the difference in millibars into
> > feet to give the height of the building.
> >
> > But since we are constantly being exhorted to exercise independence of mind
> > and apply scientific methods, undoubtedly the best way would be to knock
> > on the janitor's door and say to him 'If you would like a nice new
> barometer,
> >
> > I will give you this one if you tell me the height of this skyscraper'."
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> > The student was Niels Bohr, the only Dane to win the Nobel prize for
> > Physics
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515. Jokes - [Fwd: Male cat]

Yahoo group: hamrailfans
Date: 2002-01-08 20:47:29 UTC
From: Neil McKie
Topic: 515 Message: 515

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516. Joke - Re: Cat scan ...

Yahoo group: hamrailfans
Date: 2002-01-08 20:48:42 UTC
From: Neil McKie
Topic: 516 Message: 516

Neil wrote:

> http://www.flashfunstuff.com/flash_display.php?clip_id=0067

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Yahoo group: hamrailfans
Date: 2002-01-08 20:55:16 UTC
From: Harry Marnell
Topic: 517 Message: 517

thank you, Neil... I'll forward it on to the un-knowing

The railroad track is miles away,
....yet there isn't a train I wouldn't take,
no matter where it's going.

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To: <hamrailfans@yahoogroups.com>
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518. Re: [hamrailfans] In 1981, actress Natalie

Yahoo group: hamrailfans
Date: 2002-01-08 20:59:15 UTC
From: Harry Marnell
Topic: 505 Message: 518

All except my OWN usually...yes indeed <g>

----- Original Message -----
From: "Neil McKie" <n.mckie@...>
To: <hamrailfans@yahoogroups.com>
Sent: Tuesday, January 08, 2002 12:35
Subject: Re: [hamrailfans] In 1981, actress Natalie

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> You like jokes Harry?
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> Neil
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> Harry Marnell wrote:
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joke
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> > ----- Original Message -----
> > From: "Wil Brubaker" <wil8apcc@...>
> > Sent: Tuesday, January 08, 2002 11:56
> > Subject: [hamrailfans] In 1981, actress Natalie
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> > > HERE ARE YOUR NATALIE WOOD JOKES: Q. What kind of wood doesn't float?
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> > Natalie Wood. Q. Why didn't Natalie Wood take a shower on the boat? A.
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519. Re: [hamrailfans] In 1981, actress Natalie/JOKES

Yahoo group: hamrailfans
Date: 2002-01-08 21:00:27 UTC
From: Harry Marnell
Topic: 512 Message: 519

Gawd, i already run a zillion lists...maybe we should have a railfan jokes@yahoo... nah!

----- Original Message -----
From: "Fletcher, Robert L SPK" <rfletcher@...>
To: <hamrailfans@yahoogroups.com>
Sent: Tuesday, January 08, 2002 12:39
Subject: RE: [hamrailfans] In 1981, actress Natalie/JOKES

> We all do, BRING THEM ON!
> ONLY CHANGE THE SUBJECT LINE TO; "JOKES"
>
> BOB FLETCHER
> US ARMY CORPS OF ENGINEERS
> DRAFTING UNIT
> 1325 "J" STREET
> SACRAMENTO CA.
> 95814-2922
> (916) 557-7235
> rfletcher@...
>
>
> -----Original Message-----
> From: Neil McKie [mailto:n.mckie@...]
> Sent: Tuesday, January 08, 2002 12:36 PM
> To: hamrailfans@yahoogroups.com
> Subject: Re: [hamrailfans] In 1981, actress Natalie
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520. RE: [hamrailfans] In 1981, actress Natalie/JOKES

Yahoo group: hamrailfans
Date: 2002-01-08 21:10:14 UTC
From: Fletcher, Robert L SPK
Topic: 512 Message: 520

YES !

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SACRAMENTO CA.
95814-2922
(916) 557-7235
rfletcher@...

-----Original Message-----
From: Harry Marnell [mailto:marnells@...
<mailto:marnells@...>]
Sent: Tuesday, January 08, 2002 1:00 PM
To: hamrailfans@yahoogroups.com
Subject: Re: [hamrailfans] In 1981, actress Natalie/JOKES

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jokes@yahoo... nah!

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To: <hamrailfans@yahoogroups.com>
Sent: Tuesday, January 08, 2002 12:39
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521. Re: [hamrailfans] Digest Number 253

Yahoo group: hamrailfans
Date: 2002-01-08 22:23:41 UTC
From: Ron R - KD5CYW
Topic: 504 Message: 521

Correction, website is

www.wm7d.net

sorry about that when your thinking 6 land and not the website itself....

73's
Ron Roman, KD5CYW
Altus, OK

522. Try again ... Joke ... [Fwd: Male cat]

Yahoo group: hamrailfans
Date: 2002-01-08 22:44:49 UTC
From: Neil McKie
Topic: 522 Message: 522

[Non-text portions of this message have been removed]

523. Re: [hamrailfans] Try again ... Joke ... [Fwd: Male cat]

Yahoo group: hamrailfans
Date: 2002-01-08 22:47:24 UTC
From: Neil McKie
Topic: 522 Message: 523

Tried to send it to myself - it worked ... here it didn't ...

I give up.

Is a picture of a cat sitting on a couch, a bottle of beer on his left ...
right front paw on the TV remote control.

Neil

524. RE: [hamrailfans] Try again ... Joke ... [Fwd: Male cat]

Yahoo group: hamrailfans
Date: 2002-01-08 22:56:20 UTC
From: Fletcher, Robert L SPK
Topic: 522 Message: 524

TRY, TRY AGAIN !

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SACRAMENTO CA.
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rfletcher@...

-----Original Message-----
From: Neil McKie [mailto:n.mckie@...]
Sent: Tuesday, January 08, 2002 2:47 PM
To: hamrailfans@yahoogroups.com
Subject: Re: [hamrailfans] Try again ... Joke ... [Fwd: Male cat]

Tried to send it to myself - it worked ... here it didn't ...

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Is a picture of a cat sitting on a couch, a bottle of beer on his left ...
right front paw on the TV remote control.

Neil

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525. Re: [hamrailfans] Digest Number 253

Yahoo group: hamrailfans
Date: 2002-01-08 23:38:56 UTC
From: Jim Ley
Topic: 504 Message: 525

Ron,

While I'm in Washington, I'm in touch with my ham friends in California
by e-mail and HF. 145.330, PL 100.0 is still up and running. Maybe you
didn't listen long enough.

Jim Ley

Ron R - KD5CYW wrote:
>
> Harry, Pass this On.....
> Thanks,
>
> I think the 147.330 is the Mt Diablo 2M Ham radio site, when I was in CA
> last month on Vacation, I did not here it, also it is not listed in the Freq Call
> Book, did they shut down that repeater? They may have changed freq's? I'm
> not there so I don't know.
> Try this for Ham repeaters... there may be some Activity on Railroading, just
> got to listen in.
> http://www.artscipub.com/repeaters
>
> Also try... he is a RailHam and has a nice site.
> http://www.wm6d.net
>
> They use this as a Ham Railfan type of talk, for folks who are Hams and Rail
> something of Fans, workers or like trains, they chat about everything on
> railroad Ops, train spotting, and such is the likes of it. Retransmission of any
> radio other than the Ham Bands (even ham bands fall into Ham/Ham re-
> trans) is violation of FCC rules, and can jepardize a Hams radio lic and such.
>
> Now the Ham Railfans are railfans with their Ham radio ticket that may be
> out Railfanning and OS'ing trains on simplex Freq's, some of the known ones
> are.....
>
> RailHam Simplex
> 146.490, 146.565, 223.620, 446.050 and 1294.425
> 100 Hz PL or 152 DCS
>
> Or some do HF (shortwave) talk nets....
> Here are some HF rail nets on the air.
>
> Saturday 8:00am EST 7.272 SSB RAG
> Monday 8:00pm EST 3.683 CW RAG -This is in Morse Code- may use RR
> morse...
> Monday 9:00pm EST 3.923 SSB RAG
> Wed. 6.00am EST 3.930 SSB ROCO (Europe)

> Wed. 11.00am EST 14.282 SSB FIRAC
> Friday 7.00pm EST 3.930 SSB BOCO (Europe)
>
> Hope this helps a bit.....
> Ron KD5CYW
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> On 8 Jan 02, at 16:06, hamrailfans@yahoogroups.com, hamrailfans@yahoogroups.com
<hamrailfans@yahoogroups.com> wrote on [hamrailfans] Digest Number 253:
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> Date sent: 8 Jan 2002 16:06:37 -0000
> From: hamrailfans@yahoogroups.com
> To: hamrailfans@yahoogroups.com
> Subject: [hamrailfans] Digest Number 253
> Send reply to: hamrailfans@yahoogroups.com
>
> > There is 1 message in this issue.
> >
> > Topics in this digest:
> >
> > 1. Fw: RE: [Calrailfans]Tuning scanners to Railfan Ham channels
> > From: "Harry Marnell" <marnells@...>
> >
> >
> > ____
> > ____
> >
> > Message: 1
> > Date: Mon, 7 Jan 2002 20:25:14 -0800
> > From: "Harry Marnell" <marnells@...>
> > Subject: Fw: RE: [Calrailfans]Tuning scanners to Railfan Ham channels
> >
> > Someone care to give these folks an answer...I think they're talking about
> > the SF Bay area. Didn't there used to be a railfan net on weds nights
> > there... 147.33 or some such?
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> > 73
> > Harry / N6URU.....
> >
> > From: "Huggins, Michael" <michael.huggins@s...>
> > Date: Mon Jan 7, 2002 2:03 pm
> > Subject: Tuning scanners to Railfan Ham channels
> >
> > Do any of you have your scanners tuned to Railfan Ham channels for info? If
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> > Mococo and Hamless Mike
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> > WHICH RECEIVED THIS REPLY>>>
> >
> > From: "babydot94513" <davisdogs@...>
> > To: <Calrailfans@yahoogroups.com>
> > Sent: Monday, January 07, 2002 18:04
> > Subject: [Calrailfans] Re: Tuning scanners to Railfan Ham channels
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526. Re: [hamrailfans] Fw: RE: [Calrailfans]Tuning scanners to Railfan Ham channels

Yahoo group: hamrailfans
Date: 2002-01-08 23:57:09 UTC
From: Jim Ley
Topic: 503 Message: 526

Neil,

I've always used the 440 side of my dual-bander as a "fred detector".

Jim Ley

Neil McKie wrote:
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> My experience with rail-faning is ... my dual band ham radio- the 2 meter
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527. Re: [hamrailfans] Fw: RE: [Calrailfans]Tuning scanners to Railfan Ham channels

Yahoo group: hamrailfans
Date: 2002-01-09 00:43:11 UTC
From: Neil McKie
Topic: 503 Message: 527

Interesting point. I've done that in the past too ... just not recently.

Guess I might have to install another dual band radio in my `tiny' vehicle. And drill at least two more antenna holes.

Neil

Jim Ley wrote:

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> Jim Ley
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528. Re: [hamrailfans] Digest Number 253

Yahoo group: hamrailfans
Date: 2002-01-09 02:41:31 UTC
From: djames@mlode.com
Topic: 504 Message: 528

Question, is it 145.330 or 147.330, and is that the Mt Diablo repeater near Concord? Also, I used to tune in to them on a regular basis years ago, then lost contact on the regular night. Are they still transmitting once a week on a regularly scheduled evening, and, if so, do you know what night of the week.
Dick James
Arnold CA
djames@...

-----Original Message-----
From: Jim Ley <jimley@...>
To: hamrailfans@yahoogroups.com <hamrailfans@yahoogroups.com>
Date: Tuesday, January 08, 2002 3:38 PM
Subject: Re: [hamrailfans] Digest Number 253

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Yahoo group: hamrailfans
Date: 2002-01-09 02:40:46 UTC
From: Jim Ley
Topic: 503 Message: 529

Neil,

No, drill ONE hole, install a Larson 2M/70CM antenna with a diplexer
(if your radio has two antenna connectors) and have a nice 3' antenna.
Mine is 15 years old and has been on five cars. It's on the current car
now...

Jim Ley

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530. Re: [hamrailfans] Digest Number 254

Yahoo group: hamrailfans
Date: 2002-01-09 04:27:57 UTC
From: Ron R - KD5CYW
Topic: 530 Message: 530

Oh boy lots of messages on this one..... 25!

OK it may be 145.330, I may have had it writen down as that.... maybe that is why I did not here it..... Yes, that is the Concord, CA area one. Sorry, well gives me more of a reason to go back to visit the In Laws!

West Coast HF nets, well the list I had was from another list, the ones he had was he knew of, there is the new ARRL Net book out, I know there were a few in there, since I don't have the new one yet, I can't check that info out. But it is a start I guess, I know some nets do announce other nets too... but not on HF bands yet... (Goal for 2002, get my code and get to Extra)

I know there is info out on the web, seen it somewhere but forgot where that had a page on Railham info... I use 146.520 to make contact, then to a railham simplex freq afterwards. We have some folks here in OK/TX who are new hams, and they enjoy it... we do use area repeaters and simplex, so as it goes if all goes well.... only did a few of them here.... but with some more excursion trains coming up this year, we may more org'd for that!

Well I have a dual band (Alinco -G5TH), I use it as V / V one side for Ham, the otherside for all the RR channels prog in, (yes with the dually it will operate if you load either V or U side in, so do have FRED in there.) and I have them set to the channels they have the freqs to, so if you read a area with a timetable of 9696, you will show 161.550 and the Channel # of 96. Works great that way. I use the Optional 100ch / 100ch since I don't use the auto dail function memories. Works out great.

I also use a ICOM T2A and have 2ea -2100H's, one in the car, the other as a home base unit for now (till I get a real base unit). I have the software and cable for both, so easy programming when need to load the RR freq's in the -2100H (has great RX sens to pull in stations) and also area freq's to where I'm going to go in the T2A.... just load it from the data.... simple as apple pie.

But otherwise just do the best you can with what you got and it should work out somewhere.... this is what this forum is about to get ideas and help others to be the best RailHam you can be... it is easy with a email list like this to achive that, and I know we can.

73's
Ron Roman, KD5CYW
Altus, OK

531. Please delete any attachment I supposedly sent you.

Yahoo group: hamrailfans
Date: 2002-01-09 05:09:50 UTC
From: Wil Brubaker
Topic: 531 Message: 531

Please delete any attachment I supposedly sent you. (That's the group or any individuals.) I didn't, but apparently my machine got a Trojan Horse virus that sends stuff out over my name to people in my address book. I am thus deleting my address book one name at a time. Sorry,

Wil Brubaker

[Non-text portions of this message have been removed]

532. Re: [hamrailfans] Digest Number 253

Yahoo group: hamrailfans
Date: 2002-01-09 05:32:47 UTC
From: Jim Ley
Topic: 504 Message: 532

It's 145.33, PL 100.0, negative offset. The railfan net went away when the old channel 13 tower got blown down by a BIG storm several years back and the machine was off the air for a while until things got fixed up again on the mountain. However, there's still a few folks there or on 443.800, same PL who will talk trains, especially the trustee, K6POU. Tell him I sent you...

Jim Ley, N6ECV

djames@... wrote:
>
> Question, is it 145.330 or 147.330, and is that the Mt Diablo repeater near
> Concord? Also, I used to tune in to them on a regular basis years ago, then
> lost contact on the regular night. Are they still transmitting once a week
> on a regularly scheduled evening, and, if so, do you know what night of the
> week.
> Dick James
> Arnold CA
> djames@...
>
> -----Original Message-----
> From: Jim Ley <jimley@...>
> To: hamrailfans@yahoogroups.com <hamrailfans@yahoogroups.com>
> Date: Tuesday, January 08, 2002 3:38 PM
> Subject: Re: [hamrailfans] Digest Number 253
>
> > Ron,
> >
> > While I'm in Washington, I'm in touch with my ham friends in California
> >by e-mail and HF. 145.330, PL 100.0 is still up and running. Maybe you
> >didn't listen long enough.
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533. Re: Tuning scanners to Railfan Ham channels (Bay area)?

Yahoo group: hamrailfans
Date: 2002-01-09 06:12:18 UTC
From: Harry Marnell
Topic: 533 Message: 533

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----- Original Message -----
From: "babydot94513" <davisdogs@...>
To: <Calrailfans@yahoogroups.com>
Sent: Tuesday, January 08, 2002 22:01
Subject: [Calrailfans] RE: Tuning scanners to Railfan Ham channels

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harry / N6URU
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534. Re: [hamrailfans] Fw: RE: Tuning scanners to Railfan Ham channels

Yahoo group: hamrailfans
Date: 2002-01-09 06:19:43 UTC
From: Neil McKie
Topic: 534 Message: 534

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And the 110W Motorola Syntor Public Safety radio ... and it's own antenna.

Then the ... it goes on from there. One vehicle I had back in the early seventies had eight antennas - for the seven radios on board. 4 Motorola radios, 2 GE radios and a Gonset Communicator in the back seat. The 4 Motorola / 2 GE radios - all six control heads occupied the entire underside of the dashboard from door to door. All of the antennas were quarter wave - much better performance in the mountainous area I seem to be most in of the time.

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Thanks for your input though, perhaps, one of these days, we will meet. Will you be in attendance at the Puyallup Swapmeet in March ... or Sea-Pac in May / June - Seaside Oregon?

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> > > > > Sent: Monday, January 07, 2002 18:04
> > > > > Subject: [Calrailfans] Re: Tuning scanners to Railfan Ham channels
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535. Re: [hamrailfans] Re: Tuning scanners to Railfan Ham channels (Bay area)?

Yahoo group: hamrailfans
Date: 2002-01-09 07:13:53 UTC
From: Jim Ley
Topic: 533 Message: 535

No, there's no nets or anything like that on the K6POU system, BUT, many of the users are "trains friendly" and the trustee has ridden on an engine with me in Portola. He blew his chance at the Yoyo Shortline, because he didn't make it up there for a cab ride during the few years I worked there.
HOWEVER, should a special or steam movement be in the area, this IS the system to use. EXCELLENT coverage over the Bay Area and Central Valley, up to Donner. (spotty past Auburn and not so good on the Peninsula) I'd suggest, though, that for short range purposes, use one of the recommended simplex frequencies, to avoid tying up a wide area repeater, which is good practice anyway...
Hamless in Brentwood. Go get yerself a California Railfan timetable from Rob at Altamont Press. Everything you need to know about what channels are where is there. NO, I DON'T work for Rob and he doesn't pay me. It's just the best info available and Rob's a good dude...
http://railroadnews.net/

Jim Ley

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536. Re: [hamrailfans] Fw: RE: Tuning scanners to Railfan Ham channels

Yahoo group: hamrailfans
Date: 2002-01-09 07:46:52 UTC
From: Jim Ley
Topic: 534 Message: 536

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537. Re: quarter vs 5/8 wave antennas

Yahoo group: hamrailfans
Date: 2002-01-09 07:52:24 UTC
From: Harry Marnell
Topic: 537 Message: 537

Am I on the right track, so to speak, that quarterwaves have a wider (higher) angle than 5/8 waves, hence better propagation up & down hillsides. I travel 299 between Eureka & Redding and people always tell me I SOUND better when I'm on the qtr-wav, but I've had the sense - or nonsense - that I receive better with the 5/8 wave, even in those Trinity River canyons. Perhaps it's just me.

Harry / N6URU

----- Original Message -----
From: "Jim Ley" <jimley@...>
To: <hamrailfans@yahoogroups.com>
Sent: Tuesday, January 08, 2002 23:46
Subject: Re: [hamrailfans] Fw: RE: Tuning scanners to Railfan Ham channels

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538. Re: [hamrailfans] Re: quarter vs 5/8 wave antennas

Yahoo group: hamrailfans
Date: 2002-01-09 08:09:47 UTC
From: Jim Ley
Topic: 537 Message: 538

Harry,

In that terrain, use the 1/4 wave. True story about the 1/4 wave in the hills. 5/8 wave antennas work better in places like the Central Valley or Kansas.

Jim Ley

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539. Re: [hamrailfans] Re: quarter vs 5/8 wave antennas

Yahoo group: hamrailfans
Date: 2002-01-10 00:43:38 UTC
From: Mike DiTurno
Topic: 537 Message: 539

Harry

You are correct. The angle of radiation on a 5/8 wave antenna is
somewhat perpendicular to the radial. The 1/4 wave antenna will have a
higher angle of radiation.

73's

de KC8OWL
Mike
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540. Re: Blonde Jokes

Yahoo group: hamrailfans
Date: 2002-01-10 02:47:39 UTC
From: Neil McKie
Topic: 540 Message: 540

Dan B wrote:

> Two blondes were walking through the woods and came upon a set
> of tracks. One blonde said that they were deer tracks. The other
> blonde said that they were moose tracks. They were still arguing when the
> train hit 'em.

541. Looking for a receive crystal.

Yahoo group: hamrailfans
Date: 2002-01-11 17:17:53 UTC
From: Neil McKie
Topic: 541 Message: 541

Looking for a receive channel element or crystal for either a Motorola Motrac or Mocom-70 on 161.100 MHz.

I have a number of crystals ... if anyone is looking.

Thanks in advance,

Neil McKie - WA6KLA ...

542. Joke ... Darwin Awards ...

Yahoo group: hamrailfans
Date: 2002-01-14 23:48:30 UTC
From: Neil McKie
Topic: 542 Message: 542

"Daryl" wrote:

>
> THE DARWIN AWARDS
>
> It's that time again! The awards this year are classic. These awards
> are given each year to bestow upon (the remains of) that individual, who
> through single-minded self-sacrifice, has done the most to remove
> undesirable elements from the human gene pool.
>
> 5th RUNNER-UP Goes to a San Anselmo, California man who died when
> he hit a lift tower at the Mammoth Mountain ski area while riding down the
> slope on a foam pad.
>
> The 22-year old David Hubal was pronounced dead at Central Mammoth
> Hospital. The accident occurred about 3 a.m. the Mono County Sheriff's
> department said. Hubal and his friends apparently had hiked up a ski run
> called Stump Alley and undid some yellow foam protectors from lift
> towers, said Lt. Mike Donnelly of the Mammoth Lakes Police Department.
>
> The pads are used to protect skiers who might hit towers. The group
> apparently used the pads to slide down the ski slope and Hubal crashed
> into a tower. It has since been investigated, and determined, the tower he
> hit was one from which Mr. Hubal and his friends had removed its pad.
>
> 4th RUNNER-UP Goes to Robert Puelo, 32. Mr. Puelo was apparently
> being disorderly in a St. Louis market. When the clerk threatened to call
> the
> police, Puelo grabbed a hot dog, shoved it into his mouth and walked out
> without paying.
>
> Police found him unconscious in front of the store. Paramedics
> removed the six-inch wiener from his throat where it had choked him to
> death.
>
> 3rd RUNNER-UP Goes to poacher Marino Malerba of Spain, who shot a
> stag standing above him on an overhanging rock and was killed instantly
> when
> it fell on him.
>
> 2nd RUNNER-UP" Man loses face at party." A man at a West Virginia
> party (probably related to the winner last year, a man in Arkansas who used
> a
> .22 bullet to replace the fuse in his pickup truck) popped a blasting cap
> into his mouth and bit down, triggering an explosion that blew off his

> lips,
> teeth, and tongue.
>
> Jerry Stromyer, 24, of Kincaid, bit the blasting cap as a prank during
>
> the party late Tuesday night, said Cpl. M.D. Payne. "Another man had it
> in an aquarium hooked to a battery and was trying to explode it." "It
> wouldn't go off and this guy said "I'll show you how to set it off." He put
> it
> into his mouth, bit down and it blew all his teeth out and his lips and
> tongue off, Payne said.
>
> Stromyer was listed in guarded condition Wednesday with extensive
> facial injuries, according to a spokesperson at Charleston Area Medical
> Division. "I just can't imagine anyone doing something like that," Payne
> said.
>
> 1st RUNNER-UP Doctors at Portland University Hospital said an
> Oregon man shot through the skull by a hunting arrow is lucky to be alive
> and
> will be released soon from the hospital. Tony Roberts, 25, lost his right
> eye
> last weekend during an initiation into a men's rafting club, Mountain Men
> Anonymous(probably known now as Stupid Mountain Men Anonymous) in
> Grant's Pass, Oregon.
>
> A friend tried to shoot a beer can off his head, but the arrow entered
>
> Robert's right eye. Doctors said that had the arrow gone 1 millimeter to
> the left, a major blood vessel would have been cut and Roberts would have
> died instantly. Neurosurgeon Doctor Johnny Delashaw at the University
> Hospital in Portland said the arrow went through 8 to 10inches of brain
> with the tip
> protruding at the rear of his skull, yet somehow managed to miss all
> major blood vessels. Delashaw also said that had Roberts tried to pull the
> arrow out on his own he surely would have killed himself.
>
> Roberts admitted afterwards that he and his friends had been drinking
> that afternoon. Said Roberts, "I feel so dumb about this."
>
> No charges have been filed, but the Josephine County district
> attorney'
> s office said the initiation stunt is under investigation.
>
> Now...THIS YEAR'S WINNER!
>
> (The late) John Pernicky and his friend, (the late) Sal Hawkins, of
> the
> great state of Washington, decided to attend a local Metallica concert at
> the George Washington amphitheatre. Having no tickets (but having had18

> beers between them), they thought it would be easy to "hop" over the nine
> foot fence and sneak into the show.
>
> They pulled their pickup truck over to the fence and the plan was for
> Mr. Pernicky, who was 100-pounds heavier than Mr. Hawkins, to hop the
> fence and then assist his friend over.
>
> Unfortunately for (the late) Mr. Pernicky, there was a 30-foot drop
> on the other side of the fence. Having heaved himself over, he found
> himself crashing through a tree. His fall was abruptly halted, and
> broken,(along
> with his arm) by a large branch that snagged him by his shorts.
>
> Dangling from the tree with a broken arm, he looked down and saw some
> bushes below him. Possibly figuring the bushes would break his fall, he
> removed his pocket knife and proceeded to cut away his shorts to free
> himself from the tree.
>
> Finally free, Mr. Pernicky crashed into...holly bushes. The sharp
> leaves scratched his ENTIRE body and now, without the protection of his
> shorts, a holly branch penetrated his rectum. To make matters worse, on
> landing, his pocket knife penetrated his thigh. Mr. Hawkins, seeing his
> friend in considerable pain and agony, threw him a rope and intended to
> pull him to safety by tying the rope to the pickup truck and slowly driving
>
> away.
>
> However, in his drunken haste/state, he put the truck into reverse and
>
> crashed through the fence landing on his friend and killing him.
>
> Police arrived to find the crashed pickup with its driver thrown
> 100feet from the truck and dead at the scene from massive internal
> injuries.
>
> Upon moving the truck, they found Mr. Pernicky under it half-naked,
> scratches all over his body, a holly branch stuck in his rectum, a knife in
>
> his thigh, and his shorts dangling from a tree branch 25-feet in the
> air.
>
> Congratulations gentlemen, you win!!
>

543. Joke ... Re: Fwd: Genie

Yahoo group: hamrailfans
Date: 2002-01-17 03:55:03 UTC
From: Neil McKie
Topic: 543 Message: 543

Kathy wrote:

> Osama Bin Laden found a bottle on the beach
> and picked it up. Suddenly, a female genie rose from the bottle and
> with a smile said "Master, may I grant you one wish?"
> "Hey. Don't you know who I am? I don't need no
> woman givin' me nuthin'" barked Bin Laden. The genie pleaded "But
> master, I must grant you
> a wish or I will be returned to this bottle forever." Osama thought a
> moment. Then,
> grumbling about the inconvenience of it all, he said "okay, okay, I
> wanna wake up
> with three white women in my bed in the morning, so just do it!"
> Giving the genie an evil glare, he screamed
> "Now leave me alone!"The annoyed genie said "So be it!" and
> disappeared back into the bottle. The next morning, Bin Laden woke up
> in bed with
> Lorena Bobbitt, Tonya Harding,and Hillary Clinton. His penis was gone,
> his leg was broken, and he had no health insurance

544. Re: [hamrailfans] Digest Number 257

Yahoo group: hamrailfans
Date: 2002-01-17 03:34:40 UTC
From: Chester F Howes
Topic: 544 Message: 544

Wish I could help, but all our stuff iis 160.650 (MICOR-Railroad and
MOCOM70). Any chance you might have 160.650?
Good luck on find your elements.

TNX,
Chester Howe

On 12 Jan 2002 02:09:47 -0000 hamrailfans@yahoogroups.com writes:
> There is 1 message in this issue.
>
> Topics in this digest:
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> 1. Looking for a receive crystal.
> From: Neil McKie <n.mckie@...>
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> Message: 1
> Date: Fri, 11 Jan 2002 09:17:53 -0800
> From: Neil McKie <n.mckie@...>
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> Your use of Yahoo! Groups is subject to
> http://docs.yahoo.com/info/terms/
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Chester Howes, K8NYC
Conductor / Brakeman, WVRR
lookup <www.whitewatervalleyrr.org>

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545. New list member

Yahoo group: hamrailfans
Date: 2002-01-18 23:30:07 UTC
From: Chris Burchett
Topic: 545 Message: 545

Hello folks!
My name is Chris Burchett and I recently joined the group. I'm 17 years old, from Logan, Ohio, and working at attaining my Technician Plus license. Currently, I'm about two class sessions into it. With any luck and a passing grade on both tests, I should be out on the air with ya'll by the end of May or early June.
Railroad interests are mainly along the lines of CSXT, with some Indiana & Ohio thrown in for good measure. I do some model railroading as well, freelancing a fictitious railroad named the Logan Southern Rail System.
I'll stop the typing and hand it over to someone who can put this list back on-topic. :-)
Looking forward to talking with you guys on here and, I hope, on the air.

Think Safety!
-Chris Burchett

[Non-text portions of this message have been removed]

546. Joke ...

Yahoo group: hamrailfans
Date: 2002-01-20 17:38:23 UTC
From: Neil McKie
Topic: 546 Message: 546

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>
> A farmer buys several pigs, hoping to breed them for ham, bacon, etc.
> After several weeks, he notices that none of the pigs are getting
> pregnant,and calls a vet for help. The vet tells the farmer that he
> should try artificial insemination. The farmer doesn't have the slightest idea what
> this means but, not wanting to display his ignorance, only asks the vet how
> the will know when the pigs are pregnant.
>
> The vet tells him that they will stop standing around and will, instead,
> lay down and wallow in the mud when they are pregnant.
> The farmer hangs up and gives it some thought. He comes to the
> conclusion that artificial insemination means he has to impregnate the pigs.
> So, he loads the pigs into his truck, drives them out into the woods, has
> sex with them all, brings them back and goes to bed.
> Next morning, he wakes and looks out at the pigs. Since they are
> all still standing around, he concludes that the first try didn't take,
> and loads them in the truck again. He drives them out to the woods, bangs
> each pig twice for good measure, brings them back and goes to bed.
> Next morning, he wakes to find the pigs still just standing around.
> One more try, he tells himself, and proceeds to load them up and drive
> them out to the woods. He spends all day shagging the pigs and, upon
> returning home, falls listlessly into bed.
> The next morning, he cannot even raise himself from the bed to look
> at the pigs. He asks his wife to look out and tell him if the pigs are
> laying n the mud.
> "No," she says, "they're all in the truck and one of them's
> honking the horn."
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547. Joke ... Re: Irony

Yahoo group: hamrailfans
Date: 2002-01-22 20:24:37 UTC
From: Neil McKie
Topic: 547 Message: 547

>
> Two women, Lena and Helga, waiting at the Pearly Gates strike up a
> conversation. "How'd you die?" the Helga asks Lena. "I froze to death,"
> says Lena. "That's awful," says Helga. "How does it feel to freeze to
> death?" "It's very uncomfortable at first," says Lena.
> "You get the shakes, and you get pains in all your fingers and toes. But
> eventually, it's a very calm way to go. You get numb and you kind of
> drift off, as if you're sleeping. How about you, how did you die?"
> "I had a heart attack," says Helga. "You see, I knew my husband, Sven,
> was cheating on me, so one day I showed up at home unexpectedly. I ran up
> to the bedroom, and found him alone, watching TV. I ran down to the basement,
> but no one was hiding there, either. I ran up to the second floor, but no one
> was hiding there either. I ran as fast as I could to the attic, and just
> as I got there, I had a massive heart attack and died."
> Lena shakes her head. "That's so ironic," she says. "What do you mean?"
> asks Helga.
> "If you had only stopped to look in the freezer, we'd both still be alive.

548. Joke: ... NTSB

Yahoo group: hamrailfans
Date: 2002-01-24 16:26:55 UTC
From: Neil McKie
Topic: 548 Message: 548

Kathy wrote:

> National Transportation Safety Board
>
> Over the last five years the N.T.S.B. has been covertly funding
> a project with U.S. Auto makers whereby the auto makers
> have been installing "black boxes" in all four wheel drive pick
> up trucks they have manufactured. This was to determine, in
> fatal accidents, the circumstances in the last 15 seconds
> before the crash.
>
> They were surprised in 42 of the 50 states
> the last words of the drivers in 61.2% of the fatal crashes
> were, "OH SHIT!" Only the states of Arkansas, West Virginia,
> Georgia, Mississippi, Louisiana, Alabama, Texas, and
> Tennessee were different, where over 89.3% of the final words
> were, "Hold my beer and watch this."

549. Joke - Re: Fw: Clean Joke

Yahoo group: hamrailfans
Date: 2002-01-27 16:41:57 UTC
From: Neil McKie
Topic: 549 Message: 549

Frank wrote:

> A man with a winking problem is applying for a
> position as a sales representative for a large firm.
> The interviewer looks over his papers and says,
> "This is phenomenal. You've graduated from the
> best schools; your recommendations are wonderful,
> and your experience is unparalleled.
> Normally, we'd hire you without a second thought.
> However, a sales representative has a highly visible
> position, and we're afraid that your constant winking
> will scare off potential customers.
> I'm sorry. we can't hire you."
> "But wait," he said. "If I take two aspirin, I'll
> stop winking!"
> "Really? Great! Show me!"
> So the applicant reaches into his jacket pocket and
> begins pulling out all sorts of condoms: red condoms,
> blue condoms, ribbed condoms, flavoredcondoms;
> finally, at the bottom, he finds a packet
> of aspirin.
> He tears it open, swallows the pills, and stops winking.
> "Well," said the interviewer, "that's all well and
> good, but this is a respectable company, and we will
> not have our employees womanizing all over,
> the country!"
> "Womanizing? What do you mean? I'm a happily
> married man!"
> "Well then, how do you explain all these condoms?"
> "Oh, that," he sighed.
> "Have you ever walked into a pharmacy, winking, and
> asked for aspirin?"
>

550. Crystal for 161.100 MHz Wanted

Yahoo group: hamrailfans
Date: 2002-01-28 12:03:18 UTC
From: Neil McKie
Topic: 550 Message: 550

Speaking of crystals,

Does anyone have a receive crystal on 161.100 MHz for any of the following Motorola receivers? Motrac, Mocom-70, Mitrek or Micor? Any other receiver?

Thank you,

Neil McKie - WA6KLA

Dick Flanagan wrote:

> I recently received a request from a CVRC member who does not have Internet
> access. He said he is looking for crystals for a Yaesu FT-127 220 MHz FM
> transceiver. The simplex frequencies he is looking for are:
>
> 224.460
> 224.060
> 224.100
>
> I anyone has any of these crystals lying around, please contact:
>
> Merle Helton KD7OJM
> 775-577-0115
>
> Thanks.
>
> 73, Dick
> --
> Dick Flanagan W6OLD CFII Minden, Nevada
> Visit http://www.cvrc.net/
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> ----
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> List Control : http://mailman.qth.net/mailman/listinfo/cvrc/

551. Rail Scanner Online Test

Yahoo group: hamrailfans
Date: 2002-01-30 20:44:01 UTC
From: Smokey Behr
Topic: 551 Message: 551

I'm currently doing a test of the scanner system, and if you'd like to take a listen, you can hear everything by tuning to http://66.28.48.198:11454 with WinAmp, or any other streaming mp3 player. I'm running the feed in stereo, with the UP Fresno Sub road channel on the right side, and the BNSF Bakersfield Sub road channel on the left. You should be able to listen to it with even a dial-up, since I'm running it at as low a bandwidth as I can without sacrificing the quality.

If you want the technical details, I'm running the encoder at 11/8 stereo for a bandwidth of 18kb/s.

--
John "Smokey Behr" Gleichweit
IPN-CAL086 N5VZQ WNRW769
Incident Paging Network California Chapter Admin.
List Owner: SoCalFire@...
List Owner: IPN_Members@...
List Owner: IPN-CAL@...

552. FW: New E-Mail addresses

Yahoo group: hamrailfans
Date: 2002-01-30 21:17:42 UTC
From: Fletcher, Robert L SPK
Topic: 552 Message: 552

Sorry to clog up the airwaves, but just following the boss's directions.

My new address will be:

ROBERT.L. FLETCHER@...

The <SPK> part goes away 1 April, 02

BOB FLETCHER
US ARMY CORPS OF ENGINEERS
DRAFTING UNIT
1325 "J" STREET
SACRAMENTO CA.
95814-2922
(916) 557-7235
rfletcher@...

> -----Original Message-----
> From: Stoner, Steve E SPK
> Sent: Wednesday, January 30, 2002 11:23 AM
> To: DLL-SPK-ED-ALL
> Subject: New E-Mail addresses
>
> Tell all your e-mail correspondors that on Monday, 1 April 2002, your
> @... e-mail will
> NOT work. The listing of your e-mail that works today won't on 1 April.
>
>
> /s/
> Stephen E. Stoner
> Chief, ET&S Section
> 1325 J. Street,
> Sacramento, CA 95814-2922
> sstoner@...
> Steve.E.Stoner@... (March 2002)
>

553. Join us for a two ... re the 4449 ...

Yahoo group: hamrailfans
Date: 2002-01-31 05:18:45 UTC
From: Neil McKie
Topic: 553 Message: 553

Please forward as you wish ...

http://www.northwestrailmuseum.com/Columbia%20Deschutes%20Special.htm

[Non-text portions of this message have been removed]

554. [Fwd: cat.htm]

Yahoo group: hamrailfans
Date: 2002-01-31 22:14:17 UTC
From: Neil McKie
Topic: 554 Message: 554

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555. Joke: Good Quotes !

Yahoo group: hamrailfans
Date: 2002-02-01 17:32:21 UTC
From: Neil McKie
Topic: 555 Message: 555

david wrote:

>
> ----- Original Message -----
> From: Steve Speckman
> Sent: Thursday, January 31, 2002 5:44 PMSubject: Good Quotes !
>
> SEXNow that I have your attention:
>
> Tom Clancy:
>
> "I believe that sex is one of the most beautiful, natural, wholesome
> things
>
> that money can buy."
>
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>
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>
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>
> Woody Allen: "Having sex is like playing bridge. If you don't have a
> good
>
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>
> Unknown:
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>
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>
> Camille Paglia:
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>
> George Burns:
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> "Sex is one of the nine reasons for reincarnation. The other eight
> are
>
> unimportant."
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> Henry Miller: "The Bible contains six admonishments to homosexuals and
> 62
>
> admonishments to heterosexuals. That doesn't mean that God doesn't
> love
>
> heterosexuals. It's just that they need more supervision."
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> Lynn Lavner: "There are a number of mechanical devices which increase
> sexual
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> arousal, particularly in women. Chief among these is the Mercedes-Benz
> 500SL
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> convertible."
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556. Joke: Re: Fw: American Airlines new policys...

Yahoo group: hamrailfans
Date: 2002-02-01 17:53:34 UTC
From: Neil McKie
Topic: 556 Message: 556

Ed wrote:

> -----Original Message-----
> Date: Thursday, January 31, 2002 21:37
> Subject: American Airlines new policys...
> American Airlines new terrorist
> policies...http://community-2.webtv.net/bbatka/AMENITIESFROM/
> If marriage were outlawed, only outlaws would have in-laws!

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557. Re: [hamrailfans] Joke: Good Quotes !

Yahoo group: hamrailfans
Date: 2002-02-01 20:09:23 UTC
From: Wayne Helms II
Topic: 555 Message: 557

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558. Re: [hamrailfans] Joke: Good Quotes !

Yahoo group: hamrailfans
Date: 2002-02-01 22:26:30 UTC
From: Neil McKie
Topic: 555 Message: 558

I asked recently ... and thought I was given permission ... so I did. I you vote otherwise, I'll quit - simple huh?

Besides, gotta do something to keep everybody awake ... been very quiet here as of late.

Neil

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> > >
> > > Matt Barry:
> > >
> > > "Leaving sex to the feminists is like letting
> > your dog vacation at
> > > the
> > >
> > > taxidermist."
> > >
> > > Camille Paglia:
> > >
> > > "Sex at age 90 is like trying to shoot pool
> > with a rope."
> > >
> > > George Burns:
> > >
> > > "Sex is one of the nine reasons for
> > reincarnation. The other eight
> > > are
> > >

> > > unimportant."
> > >
> > > Henry Miller: "The Bible contains six
> > admonishments to homosexuals and
> > > 62
> > >
> > > admonishments to heterosexuals. That doesn't
> > mean that God doesn't
> > > love
> > >
> > > heterosexuals. It's just that they need more
> > supervision."
> > >
> > > Lynn Lavner: "There are a number of
> > mechanical devices which increase
> > > sexual
> > >
> > > arousal, particularly in women. Chief among
> > these is the Mercedes-Benz
> > > 500SL
> > >
> > > convertible."
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> > [Non-text portions of this message have been
> > removed]
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> _____
> Do You Yahoo!?
> Great stuff seeking new owners in Yahoo! Auctions!
> http://auctions.yahoo.com
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>
> Your use of Yahoo! Groups is subject to http://docs.yahoo.com/info/terms/

559. Joke: Your Humor

Yahoo group: hamrailfans
Date: 2002-02-01 22:31:18 UTC
From: Neil McKie
Topic: 559 Message: 559

>
> Today's Joke:
>
> The Train Has Failed...
>
> A large two engined train was crossing America. After they
> had gone some distance one of the engines broke down. "No
> problem," the engineer thought, and carried on at half
> power.
>
> Farther on down the line, the other engine broke down, and
> the train came to a standstill.
>
> The engineer decided he should inform the passengers about
> why the train had stopped, and made the following
> announcement:
>
> "Ladies and gentlemen, I have some good news and some bad
> news. The bad news is that both engines have failed, and we
> will be stuck here for some time. The good news is that you
> decided to take the train and not fly."
>
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[Non-text portions of this message have been removed]

560. Joke: FATHER & SON TALK

Yahoo group: hamrailfans
Date: 2002-02-03 14:17:42 UTC
From: Neil McKie
Topic: 560 Message: 560

Ken wrote:

> Ain't that the truth :)Ken
>
> Subject: FATHER & SON TALK
>

A man walks into a drug store with his
8-year old son. They happen to walk by
the condom display, and the boy asks,
"What are these, Dad?" To which the man
matter-of-factly replies, "Those are
called condoms, son.... Men use them to
have safe sex."

"Oh I see," replied the boys pensively.
"Yes, I've heard of that in health class
at school." He looks over the display and
picks up a package of 3 and asks, "Why
are there 3 in this package." The dad
replies, "Those are for high school boys.
One for Friday, one for Saturday, and one
for Sunday."

"Cool!" says the boy. He then notices a 6
pack and asks, "Then who are these for?"
"Those are for college men." the dad
answers, "TWO forFriday, TWO for
Saturday, and TWO for Sunday."

"WOW!" exclaimed the boy, "then who uses
THESE?" he asks, picking up a 12 pack.
With a sigh, the dad replied, "Those are
for married men. One for January, one for
February, one for March....."

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[Non-text portions of this message have been removed]

561. Re: [hamrailfans] Joke: FATHER & SON TALK

Yahoo group: hamrailfans
Date: 2002-02-04 14:59:10 UTC
From: Wayne Helms II
Topic: 560 Message: 561

I will be removing my self from this list as I
find this to be OFFENSIVE . This list is for
hamm/railroad not such as this. Did anyone ever
think that there maybe be young children on this
list that had an interest in railroads and
amateur radio and not the run of the mill dirty
jokes etc. that have been posted on here lately.

73's
kc5wxc

--- Neil McKie <n.mckie@...> wrote:
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> Ken wrote:
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> > Subject: FATHER & SON TALK
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> 8-year old son. They happen to walk by
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> for married men. One for January, one for
> February, one for March....."
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> [Non-text portions of this message have been
> removed]
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562. Re: [hamrailfans] Joke: FATHER & SON TALK

Yahoo group: hamrailfans
Date: 2002-02-04 17:08:25 UTC
From: Smokey Behr
Topic: 560 Message: 562

Sorry to see you go, but here's a few thoughts:

All internet sites require specific parental permission for anyone under 13 to access their material (OCPA). If there are any "young children" on this list, they are here with their parent's permission. In looking at the members list, the youngest age listed is 19, which is an adult in my book, and several of the other listed names without ages I know are over 21, because I have either met them IRL, or read their posts on other groups.

This little joke is far more tame than any of the jokes that you'll find floating around the junior high and high schools in your community. If you find this to be offensive, then your meter is set way too high.

On Mon, 4 Feb 2002 06:59:10 -0800 (PST), Wayne Helms II
<stormchazer@...> wrote:

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>find this to be OFFENSIVE . This list is for
>hamm/railroad not such as this. Did anyone ever
>think that there maybe be young children on this
>list that had an interest in railroads and
>amateur radio and not the run of the mill dirty
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> 73's
> kc5wxc

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List Owner: SoCalFire@...
List Owner: IPN_Members@...
List Owner: IPN-CAL@...

563. Re: [hamrailfans] Joke: FATHER & SON TALK

Yahoo group: hamrailfans
Date: 2002-02-04 17:15:38 UTC
From: Neil McKie
Topic: 560 Message: 563

Ok, so I will stop sending jokes ... sorry you don't seem to have a sense of humor. The jokes I have sent out have been very clean unlike a lot you can easily find on the Internet.

Get a life!

Neil McKie

Wayne Helms II wrote:

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> find this to be OFFENSIVE . This list is for
> hamm/railroad not such as this. Did anyone ever
> think that there maybe be young children on this
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> amateur radio and not the run of the mill dirty
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> > are there 3 in this package." The dad
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> > THESE?" he asks, picking up a 12 pack.
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> > for married men. One for January, one for
> > February, one for March....."
> >
> >

564. ADMIN NOTE

Yahoo group: hamrailfans
Date: 2002-02-04 18:27:04 UTC
From: David Epling
Topic: 261 Message: 564

Well...hmm...Everyone wave bye bye. Ok, now in all seriousness, I am the listowner, we have 4 moderators, until one of us says it is bad to post jokes, I wouldn't worry too much about it. I thought the condom thing was hilarious....I AM married heheheheheeh

[Non-text portions of this message have been removed]

565. Re: [hamrailfans] ADMIN NOTE

Yahoo group: hamrailfans
Date: 2002-02-04 22:37:49 UTC
From: Smokey Behr
Topic: 261   Message: 565

And those of us who know you can attest that you've gotten lucky at
least twice. ;@)

On Mon, 4 Feb 2002 10:27:04 -0800, "David Epling"
<ccrails@sbcglobal.net> wrote:

>Well...hmm...Everyone wave bye bye. Ok, now in all seriousness, I am the listowner, we have 4 moderators, until one of us says it is bad to post jokes, I wouldn't worry too much about it. I thought the condom thing was hilarious....I AM married heheheheheeh

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John "Smokey Behr" Gleichweit
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List Owner x5, Moderator x4.
(Yes, I'm one of the moderators on this list)

566. Re: [hamrailfans] Digest Number 270

Yahoo group: hamrailfans
Date: 2002-02-05 15:13:43 UTC
From: Chris Burchett
Topic: 566 Message: 566

Hi guys,
See ya'll later (keep reading though). This list has turned out far from what I ever expected. I'm 16, in high school, and haven't heard anything as stupid as that. I know ya'll are gonna say that I should be prepared for what's already floating out there. True. I work at the HVSR in Nelsonville, Ohio, and once in a while something comes out. I stay as far away from that junk as I possibly can. These were jokes? I must have missed the punchline. I'm interested in railroading and ham radio, not idiotic jokes such as these.
The other fellow who is leaving has his "meter" set too high? Well, if that's the case, I commend him. At least there are still folks in this world with decency and morals, unlike the ones I've seen on here thus far.
Am I offending you? Not my intent. Pointing out the truth, and the truth hurts. This is a little something called constructive criticism. Before long, there won't be much discussion on here about railroads or ham radio (there hasn't been yet since I've joined; just mindless jokes), but rather a dirty "joke" forum.
I won't leave just yet, as I'm sure ya'll have something to fire back at me. Can't say something like what I just typed without someone's feathers getting ruffled. That's life and it ain't fair. An arrogant teen? I think not. How many teenagers out there would be upset over these mindless "jokes" regarding filth. Kick me off the list? You go right ahead. It'll save me time from unsubscribing.

Think Safety!
-Chris

567. Combining audio outputs

Yahoo group: hamrailfans
Date: 2002-02-18 23:27:59 UTC
From: Bob Huson
Topic: 445 Message: 567

I'm in the middle of rebuilding my operating position and need a little help.

I have five Alinco mobile rigs mounted under a desk bridge. The speakers all point up into the bridge distorting the audio fairly heavily.

I remember 45 years ago in the news department of the radio station, taking the output of Motorola monitor receivers and combining the audio for use on a single speaker, but I can't remember just how it was done.

It would sure lend to compactness to be able to redo that circuit to combine five 8 ohm audio outputs to drive one speaker.

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- -
Tracing my heritage: HUSON, PAULSON, GILLILAND & OLIVER
Genealogy: http://home1.gte.net/bhuson/huson.html
Railroad: http://home1.gte.net/bhuson/RR/MP.html

568. Re: [hamrailfans] Combining audio outputs

Yahoo group: hamrailfans
Date: 2002-02-19 03:45:42 UTC
From: Smokey Behr
Topic: 445 Message: 568

On Mon, 18 Feb 2002 15:27:59 -0800, Bob Huson <bhuson@...> wrote:

>I'm in the middle of rebuilding my operating position and need a little help.
>
>I have five Alinco mobile rigs mounted under a desk bridge. The
>speakers all point up into the bridge distorting the audio fairly
>heavily.
>
>I remember 45 years ago in the news department of the radio station,
>taking the output of Motorola monitor receivers and combining the
>audio for use on a single speaker, but I can't remember just how it
>was done.
>
>It would sure lend to compactness to be able to redo that circuit to
>combine five 8 ohm audio outputs to drive one speaker.

Simple method: Make a box with 6 holes, and install the desired connectors. Put 1K resistors between each input jack and the output jack on the hot leg. Connect the grounds together.

Complex method: Use 5 isolation transformers (1:1) and 5 1K ohm pots. Connect one leg of the pot to the hot leg of the transformer, tie the wiper and opposite leg of the pot to the hot of the input. Connect the output of the transformer to the output jack. Do this for each of the inputs.

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569. Expanding an ICOM 2100H

Yahoo group: hamrailfans
Date: 2002-02-19 07:10:24 UTC
From: rp1012
Topic: 569 Message: 569

Is it possible, and if so where can I find out, to expand my 2 meter 2100H so that I could receive (only) between 118.00 to 136.00 ???

Please respond to:
rp1012@...

if possible.

Many Thanks.

570. Re: [hamrailfans] Combining Audio Outputs

Yahoo group: hamrailfans
Date: 2002-02-19 17:57:26 UTC
From: Phil Kane
Topic: 570 Message: 570

>>It would sure lend to compactness to be able to redo that circuit to
>>combine five 8 ohm audio outputs to drive one speaker.
>
>Simple method: Make a box with 6 holes, and install the desired
>connectors. Put 1K resistors between each input jack and the output
>jack on the hot leg. Connect the grounds together.

That works well enough. Lower the resistance to 10 ohms and it
still works.

HOWEVER, over the years I have wired my consoles both ways, and I
prefer the separate speakers. Probably more psychological than
technical.

===> Stand Clear of the Closing Doors <===

Phil Kane - K2ASP - Beaverton, Oregon
PNW Milepost 754 - Tillamook District

571. Re: [hamrailfans] Combining Audio Outputs

Yahoo group: hamrailfans
Date: 2002-02-20 00:04:39 UTC
From: Smokey Behr
Topic: 570 Message: 571

If you want to get fancy, you can put 2 speakers in, and tweak the values between the speakers to get a positional stereo effect...

On Tue, 19 Feb 2002 09:57:26 -0800 (PST), "Phil Kane" <railfan@...> wrote:

>
>>>It would sure lend to compactness to be able to redo that circuit to
>>>combine five 8 ohm audio outputs to drive one speaker.
>>
>>Simple method: Make a box with 6 holes, and install the desired
>>connectors. Put 1K resistors between each input jack and the output
>>jack on the hot leg. Connect the grounds together.
>
> That works well enough. Lower the resistance to 10 ohms and it
> still works.
>
> HOWEVER, over the years I have wired my consoles both ways, and I
> prefer the separate speakers. Probably more psychological than
> technical.

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572. SP4449 Live On Vancouver, WA Stream

Yahoo group: hamrailfans
Date: 2002-02-27 04:56:10 UTC
From: eshoms
Topic: 572 Message: 572

Catch the live radio conversations of SP 4449 on the Vancouver, WA Railroad Radio (http://www.railroadradio.net/) as it makes its way from Portland, OR to Bend, OR towing the 2002 Columbia-Deschutes Special. Enjoy the annual outing of SP 4449 (http://www.4449.com/) from the comfort of your computer starting the evening of March 22, 2002 and finishing up the evening of March 24, 2002. Take a look at the itinerary below for details of what you can hear on the Vancouver, WA Railroad Radio as SP 4449 makes its trip from Portland to Bend.

Itinerary (all time PST):

March 22 ☐ Starting around 6pm on the evening of March 22, SP 4449 will move from Brooklyn to Portland Union Station. During this movement you'll hear her crew contact the UP Brooklyn or Albina yardmasters, the UP Sandy dispatcher, the Steele Bridge operator, and the BNSF Vancouver terminal dispatcher. Movement from the Brooklyn area to East Portland is under TWC, so you may hear a track warrant be issued. As the SP 4449 arrives at the depot catch it on the PDX Cam at http://www.railcams.com/portland/pdxcam1.html.

March 23 ☐ Departure is scheduled from Portland at 8am. Listen as the SP 4449 coordinates movements with the Vancouver terminal dispatcher and departs the depot. As she departs Vancouver, expect the Vancouver terminal dispatcher to coordinate the meet with Amtrak 27 at either McLoughlin or Washougal (assuming 27 is on time). Listen as the SP 4449 passes the first hotbox detector at 19.8 on the Fallbridge sub. From there, listen as she passes the other detectors up the gorge 37.6 and 48.4. If the timing is right you may also hear a track warrant issued to 4449 from the Madras or Maupin radios on the Oregon Trunk subdivision.

March 24 ☐ Departure is scheduled from Bend at 9am. On the return trip, listen for track warrants issued to SP 4449 from the Madras or Maupin radios on the Oregon Trunk subdivision. Then listen as she passes the defect detectors on the Fallbridge subdivision starting at 48.4, 37.6, and finally 19.8. Listen for the Pasco West dispatcher coordinating the meet with Amtrak 28 at either Stevenson or Skamania. Next catch the Vancouver terminal dispatcher threading the excursion through the terminal and into Portland Union Station. After unloading, listen for the SP 4449 to make its way back across the Steele Bridge to Brooklyn.

For regular listeners, from the evening of March 22 through the morning of March 25, the Portland & Western and Port of Tillamook Bay

frequencies will be taken out of the scan rotation. This will allow for more concentrated listening to the main BNSF and UP frequencies for this special event.

RailroadRadio.net offers Live Railroad Radio audio streams of several western BNSF and UP railroad service areas throughout California and the Pacific Northwest. While the service it provides is free, you will need to have some form of streaming audio reception software (such as Winamp or Realplayer both programs are 'freeware'). The RailroadRadio.net website can assist you in the obtaining and setting up of this free software if you don't already use it to listen to MP3s or webcast music programs.

573. Re: Railroads moving to APCO Digital

Yahoo group: hamrailfans
Date: 2002-02-27 05:54:56 UTC
From: Harry Marnell
Topic: 573 Message: 573

Some links for APCO P25 & the Railroads

http://ap.cgiss.motorola.com/markets/transportation/rail/customers/Union%20PacificPR.htm

http://150.195.10.98/ttci/whatwedo/communications.htm

http://www.transentric.com/industry/fullpapers.asp?intPaperID=62

http://radioscanning.wox.org/Scanner/other_info/A25.pdf

http://www.apcointl.org/project25/information.htm

Here are a whole bunch of digital radio sound samples:
http://www.kb9ukd.com/digital/

and

http://www.its.bldrdoc.gov/pub/ntia-rpt/99-358/

Harry

http://www.snowcrest.net/marnells/glossary.htm <~~ ASTRO/Digital/Trunking Glossary of Terms

----- Original Message -----
From: "mark williams" <fscots@...>
To: <RailScan@yahoogroups.com>
Sent: Tuesday, February 26, 2002 19:17
Subject: Re: [RailScan] Potrland, OR APCO-25 rail comms?

>
>
> just so every knows : csx has also gone apco-25 on the
> rf&p subdivision, next will be the c&o then system
> wide .. sorry to say wont be able to track them unless
> uniden releses the bc525 and the base version of it
> also.. also note you will need a lap top and various
> other equipment to listen to apco-25.. unless it is
> encrypted then thats al she wrote.
>
> fscots@...
>
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>
> --- Ben Russell <benrussellpa@...> wrote:
> >

> >
> > Does anyone know about this (see attached emails
> > below):
> >
> >
> > I'm not from the area so would also be interested in
> > more info as well. One
> > person I emailed mentioned he figured it was data
> > only based on duration of
> > transmissions, etc.
> >
> > 160.98
> > 161.055
> > 161.28
> > 161.355
> > 161.43
> > Base 160.935
> > Offset 15kHz
> >
> > Apparent input freqs:
> > 160.26
> > 160.335
> > 160.56
> > 160.635
> > 160.71
> >
> > I know that there has been experientation with
> > APCO-25 voice on Amtrak up to
> > Seattle as well...somewhere on the web is an
> > extensive "results" website
> > with audio samples, etc. I don't think this was the
> > same system.
> >
> > Gary R. Hahn
> > Milwaukee, WI, USA - KB9UKD - WPQP720
> > Southeastern WI Monitoring Page -
> > http://www.kb9ukd.com/~ghahn
> > http://www.scan-wis.org
> >
> >
> >
> > > -----Original Message-----
> > > From: Radio Scanner Discussion Forum
> > > [mailto:SCAN-L@...]On
> > > Behalf Of Russell, Benjamin
> > > Sent: Monday, February 25, 2002 1:46 PM
> > > To: SCAN-L@...
> > > Subject: Re: Portland, OR APCO-25 RR usage?
> > >
> > >

> > > Forgive me if this was already discussed further.
> > I receive the daily
> > > digest and have not gotten any follow-up info,
> > yet.
> > >
> > > Keith,
> > >
> > > Who, exactly, is using APCO-25 for RR comms in
> > Portland?
> > > What freq range?
> > > For what purpose?
> > > More details, if you have them, would be
> > appreciated. Thanks!
> > >
> > > I know that change is inevitable, I'm just looking
> > for more info.
> > >
> > >
> > > Ben - an east coast railfan who's happy the RR's
> > have stayed
> > > where they in
> > > radio technology for years.
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> _____
> > > Date: Sun, 24 Feb 2002 03:22:36 -0800
> > > From: Keith <n6jpa@...>
> > > Subject: Re: VDL-3 takes off
> > >
> > >
> > > On 23 Feb 2002 at 9:54, Kevin P. Inscoe wrote:
> > >
> > > > Well I guess the only thing left for me to
> > monitor soon will be the
> > > > trains and fortunately they would probably be
> > too cheap to
> > > > change out to
> > > > digital. ;-)
> > >
> > > I hate to break this to you put trains in
> > Portland,OR are already
> > > using APCO-25. I believe that more things move to
> > digital the
> > > more likely
> > > scanners of the future will be digital capable.
> > The way it is
> > > going I think
> > > you will have to buy a scanner for each system you
> > want to

> > > monitor. Or maybe
> > > a one size fits all scanner will be made in 5-10
> > years. Of
> > > course, encrypted
> > > radio systems you will never be able to monitor.
> > :(
> > >
> > > --
> > > Best Regards,
> > >
> > > Keith
> > >
> > > --
> > > FAQ: http://plaws.net/scan/scan-l.txt | NO
> > COMMERCIAL POSTS!
> > > Signoff: send 'unsub SCAN-L' to
> > LISTSERV@...
> > > This LISTSERV(tm) facility provided free of
> > charge by the
> > > University of Arkansas
> > > and is subject to termination without
> > notice
> >
> > =====
> > Ben R. - Norristown, PA
> > http://home.earthlink.net/~benandchrisie
> >
> > Send your unwanted spam to the Federal Trade
> > Commission's "Unwanted Commercial Email" address:
> > uce@...
> >
> > _____
> > Do You Yahoo!?
> > Yahoo! Sports - Coverage of the 2002 Olympic Games
> > http://sports.yahoo.com
> >
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> Do You Yahoo!?
> Yahoo! Greetings - Send FREE e-cards for every occasion!
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574. Fw: [bayscan] Ace Trains.

Yahoo group: hamrailfans
Date: 2002-03-01 00:21:03 UTC
From: Harry Marnell
Topic: 574 Message: 574

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----- Original Message -----
From: "cowboymike1971" <copenhagen1971@...>
To: <bayscan@yahoogroups.com>
Sent: Thursday, February 28, 2002 16:17
Subject: [bayscan] Ace Trains.

> Has anyone listened to the Ace Train that runs from Stockton down to
> San Jose? I live in PLeasanton and always wondered what freqs. they
> run on. I've looked but never found any comms. for them. Anyone info
> on The Ace Train???
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>
> Your use of Yahoo! Groups is subject to http://docs.yahoo.com/info/terms/
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575. New poll for hamrailfans

Yahoo group: hamrailfans
Date: 2002-03-01 07:35:50 UTC
From: hamrailfans@yahoogroups.com
Topic: 486 Message: 575

Enter your vote today! A new poll has been created for the
hamrailfans group:

what simplex freq or freqs do you like
to use?

o 146.520 national
o 223.500 national
o 446.000 national
o 906.500 national
o 1294.50 national
o all of the above
o other
o cb
o frs
o murs

To vote, please visit the following web page:

http://groups.yahoo.com/group/hamrailfans/polls

Note: Please do not reply to this message. Poll votes are
not collected via email. To vote, you must go to the Yahoo! Groups
web site listed above.

Thanks!

576. Re: [hamrailfans] Fw: [bayscan] Ace Trains.

Yahoo group: hamrailfans
Date: 2002-03-02 04:56:29 UTC
From: Kenton A. Hoover
Topic: 574 Message: 576

According to the table I have, ACE is AAR 8, 14 and 90.

--On Thursday, February 28, 2002 16.21 -0800 Harry Marnell
<marnells@...> wrote:

>
> ----- Original Message -----
> From: "cowboymike1971" <copenhagen1971@...>
> To: <bayscan@yahoogroups.com>
> Sent: Thursday, February 28, 2002 16:17
> Subject: [bayscan] Ace Trains.
>
>
>> Has anyone listened to the Ace Train that runs from Stockton down to
>> San Jose? I live in PLeasanton and always wondered what freqs. they
>> run on. I've looked but never found any comms. for them. Anyone info
>> on The Ace Train???
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577. Fw: new to list

Yahoo group: hamrailfans
Date: 2002-03-06 23:34:57 UTC
From: Harry Marnell
Topic: 577 Message: 577

----- Original Message -----
From: "benrussellpa" <benrussellpa@...>
Sent: Wednesday, March 06, 2002 14:07
Subject: [RailHams] new to list

Hello,

I am new to this list. I would have looked through old messages for info, but there is no message archive.

I am not currently a "ham", although I am a railfan interested in getting a ham radio license.

One thing I'm curious about that perhaps someone could answer for me...what are the standards for channel spacing and for repeater versus simplex comms on the different ham bands (in what freq range is each transmit mode allowed)?

I occassionally listen to the 2 meter 144-148 band, but have never heard any "railhams" while trackside. Since the main reason I am interested in becoming licensed is to get in touch with other railfans, I have to ask if this use of amateur radio is widespread?

BTW, I am from Pennsylvania (Norristown area). I have the "primary" 2 meter simplex railham channel in my scanner, but all I ever hear is bleedover from a nearby user (whose callsign does not appear in any of the searchable ham databases online...odd).

I hope to learn some stuff from this list. I am subscribed via daily digest.

Ben R.
http://home.earthlink.net/~benandchrisie

The list's web page is:
http://groups.yahoo.com/group/RailHams

To unsubscribe from this group, send an email to:
RailHams-unsubscribe@yahoogroups.com

RailHam Simplex
146.490, 146.565, 223.620, 446.050 and 1294.425
100 Hz PL or 152 DCS

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578. Re: [hamrailfans] Fw: new to list

Yahoo group: hamrailfans
Date: 2002-03-07 06:38:45 UTC
From: Neil McKie
Topic: 577 Message: 578

Think I'll let one of you east coast guys answer this one. Are there any east coast guys on here?

Neil

Harry Marnell wrote:

> ----- Original Message -----
> From: "benrussellpa" <benrussellpa@...>
> Sent: Wednesday, March 06, 2002 14:07
> Subject: [RailHams] new to list
>
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> http://home.earthlink.net/~benandchrisie
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> The list's web page is:
> http://groups.yahoo.com/group/RailHams
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> To unsubscribe from this group, send an email to:
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579. ADMIN NOTE

Yahoo group: hamrailfans
Date: 2002-03-12 17:31:59 UTC
From: ccrails2000
Topic: 261 Message: 579

Dear Yahoo! Groups Members,

The Yahoo! Groups service will be down for scheduled maintenance Friday, March 15, 9:00 PM PST (GMT-8) as we move our servers to a new facility. We expect the service to be restored the morning of Sunday March 17.

During this time the web site will be unavailable and email will not be delivered. (Some users may experience email non-delivery notices while the service is down, but all email should be delivered once service is resumed.) Please note: once the service is restored, there will be email delays due to backlog. We expect these delays to last no longer than 1 day. Please do not re-send email to your group as this will only add to delays.

We apologize for any inconvenience this may cause.

The Yahoo! Groups Team

580. Yahoogroups DOWN this weekend.

Yahoo group: hamrailfans
Date: 2002-03-15 16:18:10 UTC
From: Harry Marnell
Topic: 580 Message: 580

Yahoogroups has announced that their system will be down this weekend, from about 9:00 pm Friday (3/15) until "sometime" on Sunday. They claim that any mail sent to the groups will be saved for delivery once they are back online, but the system may take up to 24 hours to catch up.

Not to be cynical - and maybe they'll actually IMPROVE things - but in the past their delays have usually lasted longer than expected.

So if you send anything to the group this weekend, don't send it twice if it doesn't show up.

I've saved the email addresses of everyone on the list, so if they have a major meltdown (not expected) I'll be able to notify you directly about what's happening.

Harry
List Guy

581. New: Alinco DJ-X2000 receiver

Yahoo group: hamrailfans
Date: 2002-03-19 16:16:18 UTC
From: Ron R - KD5CYW
Topic: 581 Message: 581

Howdy,

I been reading the RR digests, and the Uniden 780 scanner is one nice machine, I set one up for a fella at work, he ordered some equipment and that was in the box as a prize he won (he did not know it, he called and they told him), now that was nice of them. He does not know anything about scanners, so I helped him out and showed him the basics and insights on scanning, along with the area freq's I put in there, this was a few months back, and he is enjoying it as I talked to him last week, and learning alot about it.

Now this brings me up to something else in Scanners....

In the ARRL's QST April 2002 issue has a review of the Alinco DJ-X2000 100MHz to 2.15 GHz (2000 memories in a 50 banks/40 chl's per bank) wide range scanning receiver on pages 65-69. This is in the same body of the likes of the DJ-X10 Receiver (Also the DJ-G5TH 2m/70cm transceiver, which I have one, and I do like it). It has a wide range "thin" duck ant that I use for the 2m/70cm H/T's I have, nice flexible and good looking, not thick and clunky like older scanners had.

Some features are... be used as a Field Freq meter near strong signals, also a way to detect "Bugs" or other evesdropping devises. "Flash tune" is what it is called with different ways to set it up. Has 38 - CTCSS tones so you don't pick up other radios on that freq from far away RF ducting. It does lack DCS and Trunked capabilities. A channel Scope, i.e. a LED meter that you ca use to home in in the freq (the -G5TH has that feature, and I like it.) as you scan. Also a timer, can use for a alarm clock, sets up different than a regular clock, so on in the am, off in the pm so if you forget to shut it off, you don't have to worry, it will do that.

Comes with the EBP-37N NiCad pack (7.2vdc) and drop in charger. (I'm sure the EBP-36N 12vdc batt pack would work too, since the the external power can be 10-16vdc, But check the specs first, or email Alinco with that question.) Power consumption with the -37N is 0.3 Amp at 4.8-7.2 vdc (batt pack), or 0.15 A at 10-16 vdc with external power source. Tested in ARRL lab at .027 A (max volume, no signal) at 6.0 vdc. Body Size 5.9x2.2x1.1 inches, 11.3 ounces. List price $835, avg street price is about $500.

Options are the ERW-4C PC interface cable $40, EDC-36 Filtered Automotive DC power cable $25, EDH-16 Dry Cell batt pack $13. (there is a case also for it, I forgot the # but it is a xxx-36, about $10, well worth the protection of it) Software can be downloaded from the website. www.alinco.com

From the review, sounds like it is a nice rig to have.
Bottom line as in QST is....

"The Alinco DJ-X2000 is a feature packed multimode "dc-to-daylight" communications receiver in a remarkably easy-to-tote package."
Was reviewed by Brennan Price, N4QX. Field and Regulatory Correspondent.

I know Uniden has come out with a new digital scanner, I think that does DCS and Trunking, but I have not heard any reviews on this one yet. But I wonder if it has some of the Alinco features. Just find one for what you needs are, and you will be enjoying it for years to come.

Happy Shopping and Scanning,

73's
Ron Roman, KD5CYW
Altus, OK

582. SP4449 Live On Vancouver Stream!! Reminder

Yahoo group: hamrailfans
Date: 2002-03-22 02:46:25 UTC
From: eshoms
Topic: 582 Message: 582

Just wanted to remind those of you who interested in listening in on the SP4449 trip to Bend that you can hear the train and dispatcher conversations for this trip live on http://www.railroadradio.net/ . Just Click on Vancouver/Columbia River and enjoy...the action starts Friday night with the ferry move to Portland Union Station.

Here's a link to my previous post including the details of what you will hear: http://groups.yahoo.com/group/hamrailfans/message/572

583. We've been YAHOOED.

Yahoo group: hamrailfans
Date: 2002-03-29 06:28:13 UTC
From: Harry Marnell
Topic: 583 Message: 583

Sometime recently our beloved Yahoogroups - in what may well be yet another attempt to drum up cash - has apparently reset EVERYONE's email, mail and telephone marketing preferences to "Yes" for everything. Unless that's what you want - a flow of spam by mail, email and phone, here's how to fix it:

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Check out all the stuff they've made as "YES" options, including email, and, way down at the bottom US Mail and Via Phone.

I changed all my stoff to NO, and used the "edit" to delete my telephone number. Be sure to click on the SAVE CHANGES box at bottom to save these settings.

Of course, if you WANT to get their advertisers' stuff you can say "Yes" as you please.

Harry
List Moderator

584. Re: [RailScan] Rail newbie: trackside repeaters?

Yahoo group: hamrailfans
Date: 2002-03-29 09:31:59 UTC
From: KMA367 / Harry
Topic: 584 Message: 584

I can's speak to NJTransit, but most roads in the west use mountaintop transmitters and receivers to link between trains and dispatchers. Unlike most police and fire departments, they very rarely use repeaters to retransmit the crews' messages; the mountaintop receiver hears the train crew and instantaneously it's transmitted by microwave or satellite or landline to the dispatcher, wherever he/she is. Likewise in reverse... the dispatcher selects the closest or best transmitter (considering where the train is located) and his message goes by microwave etc to the transmitter and then out on the frequencies we listen to.

Actually there are a couple good reasons for NOT using repeaters or unnecessarily high power on the road channels. The "relatively" low power of train radios prevents them from blanketing half a state with every little thing they have to say, such as when switching cars out, chit-chat etc.

If everything were repeatered, there could only be one conversation at a time on the channel for many many miles. Using the lower power with range of, lets say five or 10 miles, it allows another crew 25 miles away to carry on THEIR conversation simultaneously on the same channel, and neither crew interferes with the other. A third crew 25 more miles away can ALSO be conversing "privately" and on and on...

And, as a kind of unintended consequence - USUALLY a benefit for railfans - if something is too far away to hear, it's probably too far away to be concerned about - yet - anyway. Not always, of course, but usually. If it's an unusual movement or incident, the dispatcher or other bigshot will likely be on the PBX or dispatcher's transmitter anyway.

HTH
Harry Marnell
http://www.snowcrest.net/marnells/airrail.htm <<~~ Southern California Rail Landmarks As seen from space & sky

----- Original Message -----
From: "ddrummer_t" <aszablowski@...>
To: <RailScan@yahoogroups.com>
Sent: Sunday, March 24, 2002 14:23
Subject: [RailScan] Rail newbie: trackside repeaters?

> First off, hello to everyone here. This is my first post after
> lurking for a while. Looks like a good bunch of folks here. Glad to
> be here.
>

> A little question here. I always seem to hear the NJTransit
> dispatchers fine for most rail lines, but I seldom hear the trains'
> comms unless they're close. So I was wondering, are there trackside
> repeaters used for most/any rail carriers or is it mostly simplex
> comms? Being the trains have high-powered radios and VHF usually
> travels well out in the open, I find this strange.
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>
> The RailScan North Jersey rail radio feed is currently available via
> Live365 simulcast at http://railscan.webhop.net
>
> Real Player or Winamp users can access the feed directly by
> opening/playing location 68.28.48.82:15112
>
>
> Your use of Yahoo! Groups is subject to the Yahoo! Terms of Service.
>
>

585. EMCOMM 2002 - April 20 & 21

Yahoo group: hamrailfans
Date: 2002-03-29 10:10:18 UTC
From: KMA367 / Harry
Topic: 585 Message: 585

http://www.emcomm.org/emcomm2002/main.html (April 20 & 21)

The Sacramento Valley Section of the A.R.R.L. cordially invites you to attend:

EMCOMM 2002 -
A Two Day - EMergency COMMunications EXPO for ARES, ACS, RACES, VIP, SKYWARN
and other EMCOMM personnel

sponsored by The Amateur Radio Emergency Service, in cooperation with

The California Office of Emergency Service

The American Red Cross

National Weather Service

and other public safety agencies

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Saturday and Sunday , April 20-21, 2002

Bishop Quinn High School

21893 Old 44 Drive

Palo Cedro, California

(10 miles east of Redding)

586. Re: [hamrailfans] We've been YAHOOED.

Yahoo group: hamrailfans
Date: 2002-03-29 12:19:10 UTC
From: Neil McKie
Topic: 583 Message: 586

Recently, folks keep wondering why I don't want to join the yahoogroups.
Any clue as to why? I am on the yahoogroups distribution with several lists
- join? No way.

Neil McKie - WA6KLA ...

Harry Marnell wrote:

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> and, way down at the bottom US Mail and Via Phone.
>
> I changed all my stoff to NO, and used the "edit" to delete my telephone
> number. Be sure to click on the SAVE CHANGES box at bottom to save
> these settings.
>
> Of course, if you WANT to get their advertisers' stuff you can say "Yes"
> as you please.
>
> Harry
> List Moderator
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> Your use of Yahoo! Groups is subject to http://docs.yahoo.com/info/terms/

587. Re: We've been YAHOOED.

Yahoo group: hamrailfans
Date: 2002-03-29 14:22:46 UTC
From: RailScan
Topic: 583 Message: 587

And also don't forget to also check the "edit e-mail subscriptions" option
located in top right hand corner of the "marketing preferences" screen.

------- Forwarded message follows -------
To: <Undisclosed-Recipient:;>
From: "Harry Marnell"
Date sent: Thu, 28 Mar 2002 22:28:13 -0800
Subject: [hamrailfans] We've been YAHOOED.

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Harry
List Moderator

------- End of forwarded message -------

588. RE: Re: [hamrailfans] We've been YAHOOED.

Yahoo group: hamrailfans
Date: 2002-03-29 14:45:10 UTC
From: ke4rit@earthlink.net
Topic: 583 Message: 588

> - go to http://groups.yahoo.com/mygroups
> - click on Account Info (upper right)
> - log in with your Yahoo account/password
> Harry
> List Moderator

A couple of suggestions.

1. VERIFY EVERYTHING in your profile. I discovered some of my information had been CHANGED!

2. Change your password! (If I didn't change my info, who did?)

3. VERIFY your using a "secure" (ssl) connection! I kept asking for secure sreens and with every step Yahoo kept reseting it back to a "normal" screen.

Richard

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mail2web - Check your email from the web at
http://mail2web.com/ .

589. Re: We've been YAHOOED.

Yahoo group: hamrailfans
Date: 2002-03-29 16:58:44 UTC
From: Harry Marnell
Topic: 583 Message: 589

Except for stuff I may WANT them to know, I put as many outrageous lies as possible in all the "profiles" these outfits ask me to fill out

----- Original Message -----
From: <ke4rit@...>
To: <hamrailfans@yahoogroups.com>
Sent: Friday, March 29, 2002 06:45
Subject: RE: Re: [hamrailfans] We've been YAHOOED.

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> Richard

590. Re: [hamrailfans] We've been YAHOOED.

Yahoo group: hamrailfans
Date: 2002-03-29 18:35:35 UTC
From: Bob Huson
Topic: 583 Message: 590

Be on the safe side. When you're done, DO IT AGAIN. At least go back
and check that the changes were made. Even after making the changes
and saving them, they reverted back to yes, so I'll check again in a
few hours too. If that don't work, just forward everything that comes
back to them.

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- -
Tracing my heritage: HUSON, PAULSON, GILLILAND & OLIVER
Genealogy: http://home1.gte.net/bhuson/huson.html
Railroad: http://home1.gte.net/bhuson/RR/MP.html

591. Re: We've been YAHOOED.

Yahoo group: hamrailfans
Date: 2002-04-02 15:48:51 UTC
From: diamondrmb
Topic: 583 Message: 591

Thanks a lot for the advice! I checked, and sure enough. I thank
you! Rich
--- In hamrailfans@y..., Neil McKie <n.mckie@b...> wrote:
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> Recently, folks keep wondering why I don't want to join the
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592. YAHOO WARNINGS

Yahoo group: hamrailfans
Date: 2002-04-02 20:08:06 UTC
From: djames@mlode.com
Topic: 592 Message: 592

I thought the group might be interested in this. I have signed the petition myself. The information came from the pnwphoto group (Pacific Northwest), which I am also a member of.
Dick James
djames@...

YAHOO WARNINGS!
Hello all:
Unfortunately there appears to be a proposal by Yahoo to introduce charges for the operation of Groups as this as well as Yahoo Mail, etc. Clearly this would have a major effect on the future of this group so if you are against this proposal, please be sure to sign the online petition and get further details at:
http://www.petitiononline.com/11213/petition.html
Thanks,

Copy and Paste this message then Post it on every group that you belong to and pass the word.

593. Re: [RailScan] Use of Ham Radio

Yahoo group: hamrailfans
Date: 2002-04-06 18:27:58 UTC
From: Harry Marnell
Topic: 593 Message: 593

"Which repeater" depends entirely on where you are, of course. But my understanding is that the generally-accepted "railfan" frequencies are simplex 146.49, 446.00 and/or 446.500. A lot of folks with dual-band like to keep their VHF set on the RR freqs, so use the UHF ham freq. Also, some guys are suggesting that FRS channel 4 - 462.6375 - be used as a "railfan" for the peeps who have those... good idea, IMHO.

And, NON-HAMS are certainly encouraged to plug those frequencies into your scanners, you may hear a lot of good train-chasing tips...

Also, Stephen, you might wanna join the hamrailfans group... it's at http://groups.yahoo.com/group/hamrailfans/ or just send the ol blank email to hamrailfans-subscribe@yahoogroups.com

Harry
"there isn't a train I wouldn't take,
no matter where it's going...." (E St V M)

----- Original Message -----
From: "Stephen W. York" <syork54@...>
To: "RAILSCAN" <RailScan@yahoogroups.com>
Sent: Saturday, April 06, 2002 05:38
Subject: [RailScan] Use of Ham Radio

> Good Morning to all:
> I am curious to find out if any of you folks on the list are Ham
Operators
> and use 2 Meters (145-147Mhz) Repeaters to communicate with each other
while
> Railfanning? If so, what Repeaters do you use? Thanks in advance.
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> Stephen York KA1IKK
> Dracut, Ma.
> New England Trains
> District #2
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594. Train Crash Pictures from Kalama, WA???

Yahoo group: hamrailfans
Date: 2002-04-07 05:39:45 UTC
From: Jeremy
Topic: 594 Message: 594

Anyone out there have any pictures or see any website of pictures from the two trains crashing head-on back in the early to mid 1990's in Kalama, Washington just south of Longview, Washington.
Thanks
Jeremy

[Non-text portions of this message have been removed]

595. Fw: ICC 2002: You Are On Track for Los Angeles!

Yahoo group: hamrailfans
Date: 2002-04-08 06:27:08 UTC
From: Harry Marnell
Topic: 595 Message: 595

----- Original Message -----
From: Brian Humphrey "lafdpso" <listmaster@...>
To: <ICC2002@yahoogroups.com>
Sent: Sunday, April 07, 2002 23:17
Subject: [ICC 2002 Los Angeles] You Are On Track for Los Angeles!

Dear Dispatch System Professional:

It's full-steam ahead for ICC 2002, the annual gathering of the International CAD Consortium in Los Angeles. Scroll down for the latest information...

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A Final Note Regarding ICC 2002 Accommodations.

We hope you are among the many who are already confirmed to be at our host hotel in Los Angeles from April 28 to May 2. If perchance you have yet to finalize your reservations, we are told that there are a very limited number of rooms remaining at our special convention rate - so don't delay! If you book your room today via our official website link at.

http://www.lafd.org/icchotel.htm

.you can still automatically qualify for a free $10.00 gift certificate from Lands End, FTD or Wine Country Gift Baskets! Don't forget to mention the three-letter Reservation Code LAF when booking your room in our host hotel.

Speaking of Travel.

Some great news for you from our travel partners at Amtrak and Southwest Airlines!

Many of you were contemplating a relaxing rail journey to the conference. Amtrak has assured us that their scheduled trains to and from ICC 2002 will NOT be effected by current deliberations on Capitol Hill. Better yet, Amtrak is now offering as much as a 30%

discount on their rail fare to ICC 2002. If you are considering an intrastate or cross-country rail journey, please be certain to mention new Special Promotion Code H208 when calling Amtrak at 1-800-USA-RAIL.

Question: Can you spot an ICC 2002 colleague at 30,000 ft?

If you are flying to and from convenient Burbank Airport - or LAX, on Southwest Airlines, you're bound to see some familiar faces. Once again, Southwest's unbeatable fares have made it the airline of choice for those need to get here on-time and on-budget. Please remember that many of Southwest's already low fares can be lowered even more with our Special Fare Code R1975. So why not call Southwest at 1-800-433-5368 and add the spouse and kids?

Is the thought of getting to and from the Airport giving you the blues?

Well, we've got a BLUE solution! We're putting together some final details with the good folks at Super Shuttle, those ubiquitous blue shuttle vans that serve both Burbank and LAX airports. Super Shuttle has frequent and convenient service from both airports and maintains a desk inside our host hotel. Keep an eye on your e-mail box for details. Trust us, we're going to make it easy - and very affordable!

Blue is not only the color of our convention's Official Shuttle Service, it is the color of the Official Baseball Team of ICC 2002! We're speaking of course, of the Los Angeles Dodgers. We are genuinely excited about sharing a night of baseball (and the best darn hotdogs in the world) with some of our dispatch colleagues. Please watch your e-mail box for a special message that includes a phenomenal ticket offer.

Oh, and by the way. this is the last of the "travel" and "room reservation" reminders. We'll stick to conference registration and details regarding your visit from this point forward.

Well, there you have it! Let the fun begin!!!

Brian Humphrey
Firefighter/Specialist
Los Angeles Fire Department
ICC 2002 Group Message Moderator

For more ICC 2002 information, please visit:

http://www.lafd.org/icc.htm

596. Re: [hamrailfans] Fw: ICC 2002: You Are On Track for Los Angeles!

Yahoo group: hamrailfans
Date: 2002-04-08 12:28:36 UTC
From: Neil McKie
Topic: 595 Message: 596

I attended the Oregon APCO meetings last week ... no mention was made about this at the meetings.

Must be for Los Angeles folks ...

Neil McKie - WA6KLA ...

Harry Marnell wrote:

> ----- Original Message -----
> From: Brian Humphrey "lafdpso" <listmaster@...>
> To: <ICC2002@yahoogroups.com>
> Sent: Sunday, April 07, 2002 23:17
> Subject: [ICC 2002 Los Angeles] You Are On Track for Los Angeles!
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597. Fw: New to the List

Yahoo group: hamrailfans
Date: 2002-04-08 18:40:59 UTC
From: David Epling
Topic: 597 Message: 597

----- Original Message -----
From: "Rick Laird" <ricklaird1@...>
To: "hamrailfans Moderator" <hamrailfans-owner@yahoogroups.com>
Sent: Monday, April 08, 2002 10:01 AM
Subject: New to the List

Per the request of the list moderator, is a bit of my background.

I was raised in Arkansas near the MoPac. Uncle and grandfather worked for the Railroad. My dad was career Army so we moved around a bit, Japan, Oklahoma Louisiana, Germany and Texas. After graduating from Frankfurt American High, Germany, I went first into the Navy and ended up in Virginia where I met my wife.

Decided I had a better chance of getting an education in the Air Force rather than the Navy so joined up. More moves, Colorado, England, New Hampshire, Arizona, Greece, and California. I got my Ham license in 1976 in Tucson.

I built layouts when in New Hampshire and Arizona, but was tired of tearing them down for moves, so I decided to be an armchair modeler until I finally settled down in one place.

After being stationed in California, (Vandenberg AFB) I became more active in Ham radio, especially emergency communications, but was still an arm chair modeler. After retiring, I worked for Boeing Aerospace on the Peqacekeeper (MX) missile development, Lockheed Space Operations on the west coast shuttle program, and Lockheed Missiles & Space on the Trident II submarine missile program. I also spent a couple of years as Chief Engineer for three radio stations.

Two years ago, we moved to Michigan (Detroit area) where my wife grew up. Lo and behold, a Basement with a 12 X 24 foot space for a layout. It is still in the planning stage as I still have to finish some remodeling I promised my wife.

I have always enjoyed listening to the rail activity on my scanner, and once combined the two hobbies when we provided coverage of the Olympic Torch train as it moved down the coast for the Los Angeles Olympics. I am active on HF, VHF and UHF.

I model the Santa Fe, and some free lance narrow gauge. I am a Life member of the NMRA, member of the Santa Fe Railway Historical and Modeling Society, Missouri Pacific Historical Society, ARRL, TAPR, Air Force Association of Missileers, the National Skeet Shooting Association and the NRA.

I guess that is about enough rambling.

Rick Laird, KB5OO

598. Willits at 8:30am, Cloverdale around 9, Ukiah 10:30 or so

Yahoo group: hamrailfans
Date: 2002-04-10 21:46:46 UTC
From: Pacific Electric
Topic: 598 Message: 598

----- Original Message -----
From: "B. Douglas Jensen" <bdouglas@...>
To: <NWPRRfan@yahoogroups.com>
Sent: Wednesday, April 10, 2002 14:24
Subject: Re: [NWPRRfan] North Coast rails to shine next week? Radio action, too?

MOW's groups is leaving Willits at 8:30 a.m. on the 20th and PRO's tour leaves Cloverdale around 9. We're meeting at Ukiah around 10:30 or so. If anyone is out there taking pictures I'd sure appreciate some copies.

Doug Jensen
MOW coordinator

DOUG: is there typically much radio traffic to assist us chasers in keeping track of you folks, so to speak??

harry

[Non-text portions of this message have been removed]

599. 2-meter repeaters in Mendocino/Sonoma county area?

Yahoo group: hamrailfans
Date: 2002-04-11 05:17:12 UTC
From: Harry Marnell
Topic: 599 Message: 599

For the upcoming rail motorcar ("speeders") trips the weekend of April 20-21, can someone recommend a couple good wide-coverage 2-meter ham repeaters in Mendo County?

Specifically, there will be two groups running on the ol' NWP in opposite directions between Willits and Cloverdale, with a planned meet at Ukiah. Is there an open repeater or two that can cover that entire stretch?

One of the groups will also be operating from Willits to Fort Bragg. How about repeaters for that geographically-challenging stretch?

For info on the trips, see http://www.mowonline.org/calendar.htm and http://www.pro-online.org/calendar.htm

Harry Marnell / N6URU
http://www.snowcrest.net/marnells/airnorcal.htm <<~~ Northern California Rail Landmarks As seen from space & sky

[Non-text portions of this message have been removed]

600. RadioShack.com

Yahoo group: hamrailfans
Date: 2002-04-11 02:18:18 UTC
From: RedCars@cox.net
Topic: 600 Message: 600

Hello calrailfans@yahoogroups.com!
Harry A. Marnell sent you this page from the RadioShack.com Web Site.

To view, follow this link or copy and paste the URL into the address field in your web browser.

http://www.radioshack.com/searchsku.asp?find=12-1999

Comments From Sender:
Cassette players in SOME late-model GM (and other?) vehicles may not accept this... they think it's a stuck tape and eject it.

But it works in most all cassette players... home or car

601. Railroad equipment grounding

Yahoo group: hamrailfans
Date: 2002-04-11 19:39:51 UTC
From: rich_sjt
Topic: 601 Message: 601

Hi this is Rich in San Angelo,TX. I have little knowlwge of railroad practices re equipment grounding (I.E. most automobiles are neg ground) form my observations on the rolling stock we have at the museum http://www.railwaymuseumsanangelo.homestead.com/, circuit breakers are double pole and neither side is grounded to the frame.

The MICOR radio we have has a extra power supply inside, (72 vdc to 12 vdc ?) is one side to be grounded?
Does anybody have the manual inserts for the railroad version of a MICOR?

Thanks

Rich N5TBT

602. Re: [hamrailfans] Railroad equipment grounding

Yahoo group: hamrailfans
Date: 2002-04-11 20:42:49 UTC
From: Neil McKie
Topic: 601 Message: 602

I took a quick look at the URL below ... didn't find the reference to any rolling stock.

Somewhere in my garage (2400 sq ft) I have the Micor railroad manual. What are you referring to when you mention manual inserts?

Thank you.

If you remember, when Motorola first came out with the Micor line ... MICOR = Motorola Intergrated Circuit Optimized Radio ... (We, in the service industry called it "Motorola's Idiotic Concept Of Radio")

Neil - WA6KLA ...

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603. Re: [hamrailfans] Railroad equipment grounding

Yahoo group: hamrailfans
Date: 2002-04-12 00:11:40 UTC
From: Jim Ley
Topic: 601 Message: 603

Rich,

Diesel locomotives use a positive and negative wire on all circuits.
There is a ground relay that will drop out if it detects that either
side of the system becomes grounded. The ground relay causes the engine
to drop its load and go to idle. Normally, one ground will not
otherwise cause a problem. Two or more will make things "interesting".
DO NOT ground either side of the Micor 72 volt input.
The RR Micor is physically quite a bit larger than regular mobile
Micors. I don't know of any "RR radio supplement" to the manual, as the
manuals I've seen for RR Micors were specifically for that radio. We
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GMC P8M-4905A-1703
"If you can't play with it, why bother?"

604. Re: Railroad equipment grounding

Yahoo group: hamrailfans
Date: 2002-04-12 00:38:33 UTC
From: rich_sjt
Topic: 601 Message: 604

Thank for both responses, the land mobile mans do not have the 72 vdc power supply therefore I thought there might be add-in to cover that part and the handset.

Pictures of our equipment are under photographs. My project is reviving our GE44 Ton swqitching engine. This afternoon we got the fuel system to pass fuel, but the abused batteries died too soon for a good start.

The 44T has < 400 hours running time and is in very good condition.

My plans are to have a special event station for out June 1 Railfair with operation from the cab of the 44T.

Rich N5TBT

--- In hamrailfans@y..., Jim Ley <jimley@n...> wrote:
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605. Re: Audio feeds via AOL !!!

Yahoo group: hamrailfans
Date: 2002-04-14 03:13:34 UTC
From: Harry Marnell
Topic: 605 Message: 605

Now THAT's really cool... I seldom use my AOL, it's mainy my wife's stuff, but that sure makes for quick hooling up... I guess it can also be made a "Favorite" and give me a long list of live-audio faves right in my AOL browser.

Thanks for the tip, boths of you.

Harry Marnell
http://www.snowcrest.net/marnells/airrail.htm <<~~ Southern California Rail Landmarks As seen from space & sky

----- Original Message -----
From: "railscan" <railscan@...>
To: <RailScan@yahoogroups.com>
Sent: Saturday, April 13, 2002 19:59
Subject: [RailScan] Re: North Jersey RailScan Audio Feed Update

> Thanks for the update Steve, I noticed entering
> www.live365.com/play/155073
> as a URL or AOL "keyword" from within AOL also works quite well.
> This will launch AOL's integral Winamp based media player
> and connect listeners directly to the audio stream.
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> --- In RailScan@y..., "Steven Passmore" <steve@r...> wrote:
> It's true that while you can no longer rely on the IP address, you
> can use the stations play URL from Live 365. For the North Jersey
> RailScan feed it would be www.live365.com/play/155073 Just plug that
> into winamp and it should work everytime.
> >
> > Steve Passmore
> > www.railroadradio.net
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> The RailScan North Jersey rail radio feed is currently available via
> Live365 simulcast at http://railscan.webhop.net
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606. Yaesu VX-5 RR .RDF Files

Yahoo group: hamrailfans
Date: 2002-04-15 23:40:48 UTC
From: railscan
Topic: 606 Message: 606

Greetings,
Might anyone have an ADMS-1E compatible .rdf file of the US VHF rail band (160.215-161.565 in 15 khz steps with or without alpha tags) for the Yaesu VX-5?

Thanks!
railscan@...
http://groups.yahoo.com/group/railscan/

607. Live365 & the IP numbers

Yahoo group: hamrailfans
Date: 2002-04-17 14:39:29 UTC
From: Harry Marnell
Topic: 607 Message: 607

It USED to be that you could get the live 365 feed IP numbers (such as http://66.24.247.125:10830) directly off the live365 site or its player, but I can't seem to do it any more (excpt from my own '365 page when I'm broadcasting.

Does anyone have a clue where we can dig out those numbers? They even seem to be hidden when I listen thru an "mp3 player" option like yahooplayer.

Inquiring mindless people like me want to know.

Harry
http://www.qsl.net/n6uru/lafire.htm <~~ Fire Communications, Links and News

----- Original Message -----
From: "Cuervo Jones" <railchase@...>
To: "RailScan" <railscan@yahoogroups.com>
Sent: Wednesday, April 17, 2002 05:39
Subject: Re: [RailScan] Railroads on the web other than Live365?

> If your work network is using a firewall of any kind, then it most likely blocks nonstandard ports. For example, my port for Live365 is 273906, and I can not reach this at work. However, I can reach the South Schenectady (sp) stream since they appear to use port 80. http://66.66.247.125 Use Windows Media Player and go to file, open URL, and put in the location EXACTLY as it appears. Enjoy!
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> ----- Original Message -----
> From: Rob Richardson
> Sent: Wednesday, April 17, 2002 7:54 AM
> To: railscan@yahoogroups.com
> Subject: [RailScan] Railroads on the web other than Live365?
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> Greetings!
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> I just found out that it is possible for me to get streaming audio on
> my computer at work. However, I still can't get it through Live365.
I
> don't know what I'm doing wrong. When I try to listen, I just see red
> lights moving up and down on the volume indicater. There's no
> indication of what that means.
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> Can people recommend places where I can listen to railroad radio other
> than through Live365?
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> Thanks very much!
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> Rob
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608. Re: [hamrailfans] Live365 & the IP numbers

Yahoo group: hamrailfans
Date: 2002-04-17 21:29:18 UTC
From: Steven Passmore
Topic: 607 Message: 608

You can use www.live365.com/play/[station ID] in place of the IP
Just go to your station page and look at the url, it will look like
http://www.live365.com/stations/123456
replace the word "stations" with "play" so that it looks like
http://www.live365.com/play/123456
that url should work in most players.

Steve Passmore
steve@...
www.railroadradio.net

----- Original Message -----
From: "Harry Marnell" <marnells@...>
To: <RailScan@yahoogroups.com>; <livescanneraudio@egroups.com>;
<SoCalFire@yahoogroups.com>
Cc: <hamrailfans@yahoogroups.com>; <SCAN-L@...>
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609. Fw: Potential tightening of screws on scanning/photography activity

Yahoo group: hamrailfans
Date: 2002-05-10 02:19:00 UTC
From: Harry Marnell
Topic: 609 Message: 609

Unfortunate, I suppose, but perhaps inevitable...

----- Original Message -----
From: "ken windyka" <ken.windyka@...>
To: <fedcom@...>
Sent: Thursday, May 09, 2002 15:16
Subject: Re: [FedCom] Re - Secret Law

Peter is correct BUT will this whole thing going to get out of hand again?
Difficult to believe that FBI agents would visit people just for asking a
simple question to avoid violating the law -- but just because an
investigator talks to you doesn't mean you've violated any law!!!! Also
even before 9/11 many airports had expanded their no parking/stopping areas
on approaches to airports, public access roads close to taxiways, etc.
Furthermore many 'sensitive' facilities always had a policy to respond to
any vehicles stopped EVEN if on a public highway going right by that
facility. Law Enforcement can ask folks to move along in just about any
circumstance anyways. Don't you think that the feds already have people
assigned to look at all these scanner related hobby mail lists? On FEDCOM
you don't even have to join the list in order to read and/or download the
achieves. I would bet that the hobby publications such as "Monitioring
Times", "Popular Communications", "Scanning USA", would be doing
appropriate official press inquiries to alert hobbyists of such a law.

HOWEVER, apparently Hanscom AFB's open house/air show has restricted
scanner operation for visitors to the show per their prerecorded show
hotline at 781-377-5287 for details. Also the FAQ at the airshow website
see htt://www.hanscomairshow2002.com appears to ban scanners, two way radio
equipment, etc. BUT allows cellular/pcs phones.

FURTHERMORE, the U.S. Air Force has instituted a program called Called
"Eagle Eyes," the program aims to prevent terrorism by encouraging and
enabling Air Force members and citizens to report terrorist planning
activities they observe. The program also features processes for rapid
follow-up investigations and information sharing to other echelons of command
and OTHER LAW ENFORCEMENT AGENCIES as appropriate.
REPORTABLE activities include:

-- SURVEILLANCE. Someone recording or monitoring activities. This may include using cameras (either still or video), taking notes, drawing diagrams, annotating on maps, or using binoculars or other vision-enhancing devices. (BUT SCANNERS & RADIO COMMS ARE LEFT OUT??)
-- ELICITATION. People or organizations attempting to gain information about military operations, capabilities, or people. Elicitation attempts may be made by mail, fax, telephone, or in person.
-- TESTS OF SECURITY. Any attempts to measure reaction times to security breaches or to penetrate physical security barriers or procedures in order to assess strengths and weaknesses.
-- ACQUIRING SUPPLIES. Purchasing or stealing explosives, weapons, ammunition, etc. Also includes acquiring military uniforms, decals, flight manuals, passes or badges (or the equipment to manufacture such items) or any other controlled items.
-- SUSPICIOUS PERSONS OUT OF PLACE. These are people who don't seem to belong in the workplace, neighbourhood, business establishment, or anywhere else. This includes suspicious border crossings and stowaways aboard ship or people jumping ship in port.
-- DRY RUN: Putting people into position and moving them around according to their plan without actually committing the terrorist act. This is especially true when planning a kidnapping, but it can also pertain to bombings. An element of this activity could also include mapping out routes and determining the timing of traffic lights and flow.
-- DEPLOYING ASSETS: People and supplies getting into position to commit the act. This is a person's last chance to alert authorities before the terrorist act occurs.

So aero monitoring/photo hobbyists are probably going to be greatly affected by these new reporting guidelines that perhaps have also been instituted selected FAA civilian airports.

Regarding scanners at FAA major airports, etc. What isn't logically is that most radio signals travel off the airport site anyways. I'm 30+ miles away from the nearest major civilian passenger airport and even with a portable antenna on the scanner I can pickup the repeaters that carry airport administration, fire, and some of the security activity (one talk group is patched back into the old high band VHF system & may be used by some security personnel), the State PD troop assigned to security uses a digital trunking system.

Another aspect is that hobbyists generally are going to stick around an area for a fairly long period of time. Now they will become suspects when
in fact a group of vehicles travelling quickly though the airport at various times could actually take pictures, record audio, & scoop frequencies relatively quickly. There's plenty of ways to do covert video
surveillance from vehicles.

The potential terrorists we are dealing with have shown in the past that they have some very smart people who plan these attacks and part of the equation was the surperb "covert" surveillance.

I guess the aero related scanner hobbyists have become casualties to these
well meaning programs. BUT frankly this could also apply to folks who like
to watch trains, ships, and perhaps ANY non public related event as well.
Furthermore, I would guess that even outdoor hobbyist/hikers that have knapsacks on their backs & are walking into the woods next to high voltage
transmission lines could also be termed suspecious!!!

Perhaps more information will become available in the future. I highly doubt that any hobbyists wants to be a martyr to prove a point. If it IS
THE LAW than that's the way it is!!!!

Ken Windyka
Springfield MA Monitoring Area

At 02:15 PM 5/9/02 -0400, aphelps@...
wrote:
>I know of one person named Brenden who has made several inquiries to the
>newly formed Transportation Security Administration, into which the FAA's
>Civil Aviation Security Organization has been itegrated. Subsequent to
>his initial request he received both a telephone call and a personal visit
>from the FBI, but no response from the FAA/TSA either confirming or denying
>the veracity of the original post on this issue.

>zerg90@... (pS) on 05/09/2002 02:15:45 PM
>Whatever happened to the discussion about the supposedly new secret law
>that banned scanning at controlled airports?
>
>Peter S

610. Kenwood TM841 ?

Yahoo group: hamrailfans
Date: 2002-05-26 21:00:09 UTC
From: Harry Marnell
Topic: 610 Message: 610

My brother had bought a truck that included a scanner, a RCI 2950
10-meter, a comet triplexer, and a Kenwood TM841A. I can't seem to
find much about the latter. Anyone have a general description for him?
He's a ham, but not active... and has no manual for the thing.

Harry / N6URU

611. Re: [hamrailfans] Kenwood TM841 ?

Yahoo group: hamrailfans
Date: 2002-05-26 21:10:17 UTC
From: Neil McKie
Topic: 610 Message: 611

Never heard of a TM841 ... I have the manuals on the TM641 / TM741 / TM941 though ... basically all the same - depends on what frequency bands were shipped from the factory when new. Somewhat similar to the still available TM642 / 742 / 942 radios. The original TM741's options were the following bands to be supplied / installed were" 10 meters, 6 meters, 220 MHz or the 1200 MHz band.

73,

Neil

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612. Re: [hamrailfans] Kenwood TM841 ?

Yahoo group: hamrailfans
Date: 2002-05-26 21:25:45 UTC
From: N6URU / Harry
Topic: 610 Message: 612

Thanks Neil -

most all the links I find on google.com are in languages other than English... japanese, russian, german... perhaps it's not marketed in the US. See http://www3.justnet.ne.jp/~y_kondo/KENWOOD2.HTM

hmmmm

----- Original Message -----
From: "Neil McKie" <n.mckie@...>
To: <hamrailfans@yahoogroups.com>
Sent: Sunday, May 26, 2002 14:10
Subject: Re: [hamrailfans] Kenwood TM841 ?

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613. Re: [norcalhams] Kenwood TM841 ?

Yahoo group: hamrailfans
Date: 2002-05-26 23:22:29 UTC
From: Harry Marnell
Topic: 613 Message: 613

It apparently wasn't sold in the US, but I find plenty of references to it in other languages... check out the google.com results via http://shorterlink.com/?MSX84F it will take you there after about 10 seconds. Thanks,

Harry / N6URU

----- Original Message -----
From: "Todd Remington" <xusmc@...>
To: <norcalhams@yahoogroups.com>
Sent: Sunday, May 26, 2002 16:14
Subject: Re: [norcalhams] Kenwood TM841 ?

> Harry Marnell wrote:
> >
> > Kenwood TM841A. I can't seem to
> > find much about the latter. Anyone have a general description for
him?
> > He's a ham, but not active... and has no manual for the thing.
> >
> Harry,
> I don't recall the 841A....I have the 741A and there is an 941A -
> maybe its an TK model radio? I'd also be curious if there was an
> 841 made...
>
> 73, Todd KH2TJ/6
>
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> ---~
->
>
> NORCALHAMS is maintained by AA6DX in Eureka. Please encourage your
ham friends to participate in this list! Ask them to sign up today!
> 73 - Mark, AA6DX
>
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614. Re: [hamrailfans] Kenwood TM841 ?

Yahoo group: hamrailfans
Date: 2002-05-26 23:31:23 UTC
From: Neil McKie
Topic: 610 Message: 614

Looking in all my factory / aftermarket stuff, I can't locate any reference
to a TM841 ...

Neil

N6URU / Harry wrote:

> Thanks Neil -
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> most all the links I find on google.com are in languages other than
> English... japanese, russian, german... perhaps it's not marketed in the
> US. See http://www3.justnet.ne.jp/~y_kondo/KENWOOD2.HTM
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615. Radio UN-installer in Las Vegas area?

Yahoo group: hamrailfans
Date: 2002-05-27 21:11:49 UTC
From: N6URU / Harry
Topic: 615 Message: 615

My brother - KC7AHW (not very active) - has bought a truck which came equipped with some ham rags, scanner etc., installed in a professional-looking manner he says. He's looking for someone in the Henderson/LV area to uninstall the stuff for a resonable price; he probably will let the rigs go cheap too, as he doesn't want them. He's looking to move back to CA soon, and would like it done sooner than later.

Except the Uniden 760XLT scanner... don't take the scanner, he promised it to me!

Thanks,

Harry Marnell / N6URU
http://www.snowcrest.net/marnells/kma367.htm <~~ LAPD Communications History

Oh, the equipment includes:

Kenwood TM841a (yep, that's what he says.. I think it's a 440/1200)
RCI 2950
Uniden bearcat bc760xlt
comet triplexer cfx324

616. Re: [hamrailfans] Digest Number 296

Yahoo group: hamrailfans
Date: 2002-05-28 19:04:00 UTC
From: Phil Kane
Topic: 616 Message: 616

> Date: Mon, 27 May 2002 14:11:49 -0700
> From: "N6URU / Harry" <n6uru@...>

>My brother - KC7AHW (not very active) - has bought a truck which came
>equipped with some ham rags, scanner etc., installed in a
>professional-looking manner he says. He's looking for someone in the
>Henderson/LV area to uninstall the stuff for a resonable price; he
>probably will let the rigs go cheap too, as he doesn't want them. He's
>looking to move back to CA soon, and would like it done sooner than
>later.

Have him drive the truck on to the RV parking pad along side my
house- I'll do the job in exchange for the rigs.

Any day, any time.

===> Stand Clear of the Closing Doors <===

K2ASP - Phil Kane -- Beaverton, Oregon
PNW Milepost 754 -- Tillamook District

617. Re: for John - UNinstallation

Yahoo group: hamrailfans
Date: 2002-05-28 19:18:05 UTC
From: N6URU / Harry
Topic: 617 Message: 617

I'll forward the message to him... thanks <g>

73 / Harry

----- Original Message -----
From: "Phil Kane" <railfan@...>
To: <hamrailfans@yahoogroups.com>
Sent: Tuesday, May 28, 2002 12:04
Subject: Re: [hamrailfans] Digest Number 296

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> > Date: Mon, 27 May 2002 14:11:49 -0700
> > From: "N6URU / Harry" <n6uru@...>
>
> >My brother - KC7AHW (not very active) - has bought a truck which came
> >equipped with some ham rags, scanner etc., installed in a
> >professional-looking manner he says. He's looking for someone in
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> >looking to move back to CA soon, and would like it done sooner than
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618. MEDIA ALERT: Amtrak

Yahoo group: hamrailfans
Date: 2002-06-06 19:12:49 UTC
From: Smokey Behr
Topic: 618 Message: 618

The Ray Appleton Show is doing his first hour on the impending death of Amtrak. Tune into KMJ 580 AM for a listen. Call the show at 559-490-5858 or 800-776-5858 and express your opinion.

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John "Smokey Behr" Gleichweit FF1/EMT
IPN-CAL086 N5VZQ UP Fresno Sub MP183.5
Incident Paging Network California Chapter Admin.
List Owner x4, Moderator x4.

619. Letter to Amtrak Employees

Yahoo group: hamrailfans
Date: 2002-06-08 18:58:57 UTC
From: Harry Marnell
Topic: 619 Message: 619

Amtrak Prez David Gunn sent a letter out to all Amtrak employees on Wednesday explaining his view of Amtrak's current "serious financial problem." I've uploaded a copy of it to:

http://www.snowcrest.net/marnells/To-ATK-Employees.htm
or a copy of the original in .pdf format at:
http://www.snowcrest.net/marnells/To-ATK-Employees.pdf

I've heard from two friend who are "advisors" to Amtrak, that are headed to Washington D.C. this weekend... must be a lot of head-scratching going on. One of them, who knows David Gunn, told me "Gunn is no one to bluff, and I am confident that if he doesn't get what he *knows* Amtrak needs, he won't hesitate to turn out the lights. Whether that is short or long term is anybody's guess."

Harry Marnell
http://www.snowcrest.net/marnells/airrail.htm <<~~ Southern California Rail Landmarks As seen from space & sky

620. A washingtonpost.com article from: marnells@snowcrest.net

Yahoo group: hamrailfans
Date: 2002-06-08 19:58:59 UTC
From: marnells@snowcrest.net
Topic: 620 Message: 620

You have been sent this message from marnells@... as a courtesy of the Washington Post - http://www.washingtonpost.com

Here's a headline I NEVER thought I'd live to see. Who would have ever thunk?

To view the entire article, go to
http://www.washingtonpost.com/wp-dyn/articles/A8978-2002Jun6.html

McCain Pledges Help in Averting Amtrak Shutdown

By Don Phillips
Sen. John McCain (R-Ariz.), Amtrak's most persistent critic on Capitol Hill, yesterday praised Amtrak President David L. Gunn's candor about the way Amtrak has been run and said he would ask for a Senate committee hearing on how to avert a shutdown of passenger train service.

McCain wrote in a letter to Gunn that he still believes most of Amtrak's routes are run only for political purposes and should be abandoned. But a shutdown of the Northeast Corridor, California routes and some others could be "highly disruptive," he wrote.

Gunn said Wednesday that unless Amtrak gets a $200 million bank loan within three weeks, it will have to shut down in July. He also said he is reorganizing Amtrak's management and establishing a policy of total openness on Amtrak finances, to be delivered in a detailed monthly report.

"I found your recent letter to me regarding Amtrak's condition and how the company has been managed in recent years surprisingly refreshing," McCain wrote.

He was replying to a letter from Gunn, who has been in the job about three weeks, in which Gunn said that Congress should have never required Amtrak to be "operationally self-sufficient" and that the former management should not have held to the "fiction" that such a thing was possible.

"I applaud your decision . . . to initiate a new policy of openness concerning Amtrak's finances," McCain wrote. "One of the many criticisms leveled at Amtrak has been its reluctance to release basic information about its financial condition and operating performance -- even to Congress and the federal entities charged with overseeing Amtrak's performance."

Gunn presented to the Amtrak board yesterday a massive reorganization that would concentrate management decisions in headquarters in a "traditional" railroad management structure. The number of vice presidential slots would be cut from 84 to about 20.

McCain, ranking Republican of the Senate Committee on Commerce, Science and Transportation, said he will request a committee hearing to consider "what must be done to avoid a shutdown of the entire Amtrak system in July."

His letter could help Amtrak secure a $200 million loan. Banks generally need evidence of strong congressional support before they will lend money against a future appropriation.

Other support is coming in. Gunn, in a message to employees, said that so far 150 House members and 35 senators have committed to a $1.2 billion fiscal 2003 appropriation for Amtrak.

The United Transportation Union, which represents thousands of Amtrak employees, began a campaign asking its members to urge lawmakers to take rapid action on the appropriation.

Amtrak received encouraging news yesterday from Federal Railroad Administrator Alan Rutter, who said in a letter that his agency has found no indication that Amtrak's layoffs in the last several months resulted in any deterioration in safety. Rutter noted that a special safety watch will continue in cooperation with Amtrak.

621. Re: [RailHams] Contact frequencies

Yahoo group: hamrailfans
Date: 2002-06-09 20:01:14 UTC
From: Harry Marnell
Topic: 621 Message: 621

Good question.

In many areas, 146.49, 446.05 and - less often 52.49 are the "unofficial railfan simplex frequencies. There's a list of regional (local) repeaters at http://w3.one.net/~kb8vrz/rarefreqs.html - "Railfan Friendly Frequencies"

(Readers may be interested in the groups I've cross-posted this to...)

Harry Marnell / N6URU
http://www.snowcrest.net/marnells/train.htm <~~ Some of my train & trolley stuff

----- Original Message -----
From: "ab4gqus" <ab4gqus@...>
To: <RailHams@yahoogroups.com>
Sent: Sunday, June 09, 2002 11:19
Subject: [RailHams] Contact frequencies

> I'm wondering if there are any simplex frequencies that railfans tend
> to use along with FRS and GMRS channels? Simon AB4GQ Tampa FL
>
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>
> The list's web page is:
> http://groups.yahoo.com/group/RailHams
>
> To unsubscribe from this group, send an email to:
> RailHams-unsubscribe@yahoogroups.com
>
> RailHam Simplex
> 146.490, 146.565, 223.620, 446.050 and 1294.425
> 100 Hz PL or 152 DCS
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622. Re: [hamrailfans] MEDIA ALERT: Amtrak

Yahoo group: hamrailfans
Date: 2002-06-09 20:29:50 UTC
From: Neil McKie
Topic: 618 Message: 622

Years ago, when I lived in the Los Angeles area ... I think KMJ was in
Freshnow California? Where is it now?

Thank you,

Neil McKie - WA6KLA ...

Smokey Behr wrote:

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> of Amtrak. Tune into KMJ 580 AM for a listen. Call the show at
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623. Re: [hamrailfans] MEDIA ALERT: Amtrak

Yahoo group: hamrailfans
Date: 2002-06-09 21:30:48 UTC
From: Smokey Behr
Topic: 618 Message: 623

It hasn't moved. Well, the physical studio location is about 4 miles north, and there's a new 50KW transmitter out in Orange Cove to go with the 5KW back-up (originally primary) out in Kerman, but they're still in Fresno.

On Sun, 09 Jun 2002 13:29:50 -0700, Neil McKie <n.mckie@...> wrote:

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>Freshnow California? Where is it now?
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624. Re: [RailScan] Digest Number 767

Yahoo group: hamrailfans
Date: 2002-06-09 23:50:56 UTC
From: Ron R - KD5CYW
Topic: 624 Message: 624

Harry,
(I am CC'ing this to a few other lists too)

Your right them Hershey Kiss mini-mags are great, I never leave home without them. They proved themself to me at 70mph down the highway and a 120mph Crosswind during storm spotting season and it never budged. I use these for the Grab and Go bag for ARES or even the Railfanning bag. They fit in the backpack real nice when I go somewhere and have a rental car, it helps with the H/T to hit the local repeaters in stead of using the rubber duck inside the car. I believe the Iron Horse and such are made by the same company under different market brand names. Yes the scanner will not know the difference, only the transmitter would, with the SWR factor of not being right would burn out the finals on the radio after a while (I think we know folks who have been on this side of the coin).

When I went back home to CT in June, I stopped into Lentini Comm in Newington (They have a website, search for: Lentini). There I bought one made by OPEK model # VUCM-301 for $19.95, this is good for Scanner RX on 100-1000 Mhz and TX on 2m 144-148 Mhz, 70cm 440-450Mhz, and Cell Phone/Ham 824-960 Mhz range. Disc. Roof mount, Black S.S. whip, and 9ft of RG-174A/U cable with BNC plug.

Well this weekend was in Arlington, TX (Dal/Ft Worth) the ARRL Gulf Coast Convention, and they had the Hamfest at the Convention Center which was rather huge. Next year the West Gulf Div will be hosting the ARRL National Convention at Arlington, TX on June 20-22, 2003. It should be much more going on since it is the National. They had a selection of scanners and commercial radios for sale (Moto, GE, Relm, ect) from folks who do this side of the hobby of being the seller.

One thing is down here in the DFW area it is not too far from some great Railfanning areas.
In Ft Worth at the Old Santa Fe Frt Depot (Northern side of Tower 55) they just opened the Railroad Market, a small area of shops of some good food and shopping, also really nice to sit down and watch trains, sipping on a Dublin plant made Dr Pepper, still made with Cane Sugar, not Corn Syrup, tastes great like a soda pop should. Also you can hop on the TRE next building down and ride it for $4.00 from FTW to Dal and should even have the connection to DFW airport soon. There is a lot to do for Railfanning and Train hobby shops and other places to go. At the old historic Stockyards it is set up for small stores and resturants, Riscky's has several of the BBQ, Mexican, and Seafood, all of them are great, and down the road a Steakhouse. This was the old time FTW trade area of Cowtown, and lots to do there, they do have it as the one end of the Tarantula RR, and they were running 2248, the steam engine, were you can ride it. Yes even them good old days of the street shootouts only the wild west could do.

Take it easy, Hope I wet the whistle of some for 2003,
Ron

On 9 Jun 02, at 19:39, RailScan@yahoogroups.com, RailScan@yahoogroups.com <RailScan@yahoogroups.com> wrote on [RailScan] Digest Number 767:

Date sent: 9 Jun 2002 19:39:18 -0000
From: RailScan@yahoogroups.com
To: RailScan@yahoogroups.com
Subject: [RailScan] Digest Number 767
Send reply to: RailScan@yahoogroups.com

>
> Message: 7
> Date: Sat, 8 Jun 2002 22:38:23 -0700
> From: "Harry Marnell" <marnells@...>
> Subject: Re: Re: Antennas?
>
> I'd take the tiny "Hershey Kiss" titanium-magnet quarter wave, available from
> HRO ($17.95) among others.. see
> http://www.hamradio.com/cgi-bin/uncgi/ase?ITEM=mm270 the homepage is
> www.hamradio.com
>
> Amateur Electronic Supply also has it on
> http://search.cartserver.com/search/search.cgi?cartid=a-6994&category=newprices1
> &maxhits=200&keywords=mm270 for $19.99 (if that URL is sloppy, use THIS one to
> get there: http://shorterlink.com/?U0QP70
>
> I've had and use several on two vehicles... VERY low-profile, and they hang on
> at ANY speed. The straight 2-meter version may be a bit hard to locate, but the
> 2m/440 model works just as well. And the antenna length is fine.. < 1/4 inch
> difference for "2-meter and RR freqs, and scanners never notice the difference
> anyway
>
> Valor-ProAm used to be listed as the munufacturer, but the last one I bought
> came with a label that called it an "ATOC/Iron Horse" brand... looked identical.
> Cable is RG-178, ... so it fits EASILY between door and jam, though cable is
> only about 6' long. I don't leave home without it.
>
> Works good for receiving 800-band too, if you need that.
>
> Harry Marnell / N6URU
> http://www.snowcrest.net/marnells/kma367.htm <~~ LAPD Communications History
>

73's
Ron Roman, KD5CYW
Altus, OK

625. Re: [hamrailfans] Re: [RailHams] Contact frequencies

Yahoo group: hamrailfans
Date: 2002-06-10 00:12:17 UTC
From: Neil McKie
Topic: 621 Message: 625

Hello all,

I am more inclined to use a 440 band frequency - `cause my dual band radio 2 meter receiver is usually listen to something more interesting like the road frequency of the trains I'm listening to.

73,

Neil McKie - WA6KLA ...

Harry Marnell wrote:

> Good question.
>
> In many areas, 146.49, 446.05 and - less often 52.49 are the "unofficial railfan
> simplex frequencies. There's a list of regional (local) repeaters at
> http://w3.one.net/~kb8vrz/rarefreqs.html - "Railfan Friendly Frequencies"
>
> (Readers may be interested in the groups I've cross-posted this to...)
>
> Harry Marnell / N6URU
> http://www.snowcrest.net/marnells/train.htm <~~ Some of my train & trolley
> stuff
>
> ----- Original Message -----
> From: "ab4gqus" <ab4gqus@...>
> To: <RailHams@yahoogroups.com>
> Sent: Sunday, June 09, 2002 11:19
> Subject: [RailHams] Contact frequencies
>
> > I'm wondering if there are any simplex frequencies that railfans tend
> > to use along with FRS and GMRS channels? Simon AB4GQ Tampa FL
> >
> >
> >
> > The list's web page is:
> > http://groups.yahoo.com/group/RailHams
> >
> > To unsubscribe from this group, send an email to:
> > RailHams-unsubscribe@yahoogroups.com
> >
> > RailHam Simplex
> > 146.490, 146.565, 223.620, 446.050 and 1294.425
> > 100 Hz PL or 152 DCS
> >
> >

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626. Re: [hamrailfans] MEDIA ALERT: Amtrak

Yahoo group: hamrailfans
Date: 2002-06-10 00:25:15 UTC
From: Neil McKie
Topic: 618 Message: 626

Thank you,

Neil McKie - WA6KLA ...

Nobody smokes here ... except once in a great while, an occasional radio
will let its smoke out. To fix it, I gotta pour the smoke back in.

Smokey Behr wrote:

> It hasn't moved. Well, the physical studio location is about 4 miles
> north, and there's a new 50KW transmitter out in Orange Cove to go
> with the 5KW back-up (originally primary) out in Kerman, but they're
> still in Fresno.
>
> On Sun, 09 Jun 2002 13:29:50 -0700, Neil McKie <n.mckie@...>
> wrote:
>
> >
> > Years ago, when I lived in the Los Angeles area ... I think KMJ was in
> >Freshnow California? Where is it now?
> >
> > Thank you,
> >
> > Neil McKie - WA6KLA ...
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> >Smokey Behr wrote:
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> >> The Ray Appleton Show is doing his first hour on the impending death
> >> of Amtrak. Tune into KMJ 580 AM for a listen. Call the show at
> >> 559-490-5858 or 800-776-5858 and express your opinion.
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627. Re: Mobile antenna (mini-mag)

Yahoo group: hamrailfans
Date: 2002-06-10 00:29:07 UTC
From: Harry Marnell
Topic: 627 Message: 627

Thanks Ron.
Comdac has, at http://www.comdac.com/catalog.htm#OPEK - with actual PICTURES even...

OPEK-VM-101 2M MINI MAG MOUNT- 20" 9' COAX $14.95
http://www.comdac.com/opek/vm101.jpg
OPEK-VUM-201 2M/440 MINI MAG MOUNT-20" $18.95
http://www.comdac.com/opek/vum201.jpg

I looked at Lentini's site - http://www.lentinicomm.com/index.asp but don't seee it there now. However on http://www.associatedradio.com/new/antennas.html#OPEK there is an OPEK VUM-201 2M/440 Micro mag w/BNC for $14.95;

Harry

----- Original Message -----
From: "Ron R - KD5CYW" <rroman@...>
To: <RailScan@yahoogroups.com>
Cc: <hamrailfans@yahoogroups.com>; <RailHams@yahoogroups.com>
Sent: Sunday, June 09, 2002 16:50
Subject: [hamrailfans] Re: [RailScan] Digest Number 767

> Harry,
> (I am CC'ing this to a few other lists too)
>
> Your right them Hershey Kiss mini-mags are great, I never leave home without them.
> They proved themself to me at 70mph down the highway and a 120mph Crosswind
> during storm spotting season and it never budged. I use these for the Grab and Go bag
> for ARES or even the Railfanning bag. They fit in the backpack real nice when I go
> somewhere and have a rental car, it helps with the H/T to hit the local repeaters in
> stead of using the rubber duck inside the car. I believe the Iron Horse and such are
> made by the same company under different market brand names. Yes the scanner will
> not know the difference, only the transmitter would, with the SWR factor of not being
> right would burn out the finals on the radio after a while (I think we know folks who have
> been on this side of the coin).
>
> When I went back home to CT in June, I stopped into Lentini Comm in Newington

> (They have a website, search for: Lentini). There I bought one made by OPEK
model #
> VUCM-301 for $19.95, this is good for Scanner RX on 100-1000 Mhz and TX on 2m
> 144-148 Mhz, 70cm 440-450Mhz, and Cell Phone/Ham 824-960 Mhz range. Disc. Roof
> mount, Black S.S. whip, and 9ft of RG-174A/U cable with BNC plug.
>
>
> Take it easy, Hope I wet the whistle of some for 2003,
> Ron
>
> On 9 Jun 02, at 19:39, RailScan@yahoogroups.com, RailScan@yahoogroups.com
<RailScan@yahoogroups.com> wrote on [RailScan] Digest Number 767:
>

628. Re: [hamrailfans] MEDIA ALERT: Amtrak

Yahoo group: hamrailfans
Date: 2002-06-09 20:45:26 UTC
From: N6URU / Harry
Topic: 618 Message: 628

It's still in Fresno...
http://www.kmj580.com/

ham

----- Original Message -----
From: "Neil McKie" <n.mckie@...>
To: <hamrailfans@yahoogroups.com>
Sent: Sunday, June 09, 2002 13:29
Subject: Re: [hamrailfans] MEDIA ALERT: Amtrak

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> Years ago, when I lived in the Los Angeles area ... I think KMJ was in
> Freshnow California? Where is it now?
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> Thank you,
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> Neil McKie - WA6KLA ...
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> Smokey Behr wrote:
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> > of Amtrak. Tune into KMJ 580 AM for a listen. Call the show at
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629. Re: [hamrailfans] MEDIA ALERT: Amtrak

Yahoo group: hamrailfans
Date: 2002-06-10 01:00:09 UTC
From: Neil McKie
Topic: 618 Message: 629

Thank you sir,

Will you be attending the SF Section ARRL Convention at Ferndale later this month?

Neil

N6URU / Harry wrote:

> It's still in Fresno...
> http://www.kmj580.com/
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> ham
>
> ----- Original Message -----
> From: "Neil McKie" <n.mckie@...>
> To: <hamrailfans@yahoogroups.com>
> Sent: Sunday, June 09, 2002 13:29
> Subject: Re: [hamrailfans] MEDIA ALERT: Amtrak
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630. Re: [hamrailfans] MEDIA ALERT: Amtrak

Yahoo group: hamrailfans
Date: 2002-06-10 01:02:17 UTC
From: N6URU / Harry
Topic: 618 Message: 630

dang, forgot all about it... what's the date?... I have a wedding to go to in
L.A. the weekend of June 22th

harry

----- Original Message -----
From: "Neil McKie" <n.mckie@...>
To: <hamrailfans@yahoogroups.com>
Sent: Sunday, June 09, 2002 18:00
Subject: Re: [hamrailfans] MEDIA ALERT: Amtrak

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> Thank you sir,
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> Will you be attending the SF Section ARRL Convention at Ferndale later this
> month?
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> Neil
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> > To: <hamrailfans@yahoogroups.com>
> > Sent: Sunday, June 09, 2002 13:29
> > Subject: Re: [hamrailfans] MEDIA ALERT: Amtrak
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631. Re: [hamrailfans] MEDIA ALERT: Amtrak

Yahoo group: hamrailfans
Date: 2002-06-10 06:16:42 UTC
From: Neil McKie
Topic: 618 Message: 631

June 28-29-30, 2002 click on http://www.humboldt-arc.org/harc/conv2002.html

N6URU / Harry wrote:

> dang, forgot all about it... what's the date?... I have a wedding to go to in
> L.A. the weekend of June 22th
>
> harry
>
> ----- Original Message -----
> From: "Neil McKie" <n.mckie@...>
> To: <hamrailfans@yahoogroups.com>
> Sent: Sunday, June 09, 2002 18:00
> Subject: Re: [hamrailfans] MEDIA ALERT: Amtrak
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> > > From: "Neil McKie" <n.mckie@...>
> > > To: <hamrailfans@yahoogroups.com>
> > > Sent: Sunday, June 09, 2002 13:29
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632. Re: [hamrailfans] MEDIA ALERT: Amtrak

Yahoo group: hamrailfans
Date: 2002-06-10 06:43:36 UTC
From: N6URU / Harry
Topic: 618 Message: 632

OK... great. Yes, I believe I'll be there... especially for friday evening when
they welcome the wine and cheese...

'uru

----- Original Message -----
From: "Neil McKie" <n.mckie@...>
To: <hamrailfans@yahoogroups.com>
Sent: Sunday, June 09, 2002 23:16
Subject: Re: [hamrailfans] MEDIA ALERT: Amtrak

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633. Re: [hamrailfans] Kenwood TM841 ?

Yahoo group: hamrailfans
Date: 2002-06-10 14:30:36 UTC
From: Todd Remington
Topic: 610 Message: 633

Neil McKie wrote:

>The original TM741's options were the following
>bands to be supplied / installed were" 10 meters, 6 meters, 220 MHz or the
>1200 MHz band.
>
> 73,
>
> Neil

Speaking of 741's, anyone have or know where a RCS-740? is laying
around. Its the adapter that lets you have all the other bands
installed for your 741 in a seperate box. I currently have a 741 set
up on 10,2,and 440. Would like to get the 6, 220, and 1.2GHZ and
have a nice little setup. Thanks for any info.

73, Todd KH2TJ/6

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Chat with friends online, try MSN Messenger: http://messenger.msn.com

634. Re: [hamrailfans] Kenwood TM841 ?

Yahoo group: hamrailfans
Date: 2002-06-10 15:44:38 UTC
From: Kenton A. Hoover
Topic: 610 Message: 634

BTW, if anyone has a spare or no-longer-needed head unit for a 741, I'd be interested in buying it off you. Someone stole the head unit out of my car several years ago, and Kenwood no longer sells replacements.

--On Monday, June 10, 2002 14.30 +0000 Todd Remington <gaffit@...> wrote:

> Neil McKie wrote:
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>> the 1200 MHz band.
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635. Re: [hamrailfans] MEDIA ALERT: Amtrak

Yahoo group: hamrailfans
Date: 2002-06-12 15:47:16 UTC
From: Neil McKie
Topic: 618 Message: 635

No doubt. After, you can be `steered' home easily ...

Neil

N6URU / Harry wrote:

> OK... great. Yes, I believe I'll be there... especially for friday evening when
> they welcome the wine and cheese...
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> Sent: Sunday, June 09, 2002 23:16
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636. Dual Band Mobile Info....

Yahoo group: hamrailfans
Date: 2002-06-12 23:26:07 UTC
From: kcs_ac4400cw
Topic: 636 Message: 636

Your valued opinions are needeed. Does anybody own or is familiar with either if these two Kenwood models: TM-D700A & TM-V7A.

I haven't gotten my ticket yet, but am in the process.

Thanks-Shawn

637. Re: [hamrailfans] Dual Band Mobile Info....

Yahoo group: hamrailfans
Date: 2002-06-13 00:19:33 UTC
From: Paul L Hutley
Topic: 636 Message: 637

I own two TM-V7A radios. I use one in my vehicle and one as my base radio. The display maybe "cool" but it is very difficult to see in just about any light (in my vehicle) and wearing polarizing sunglasses. For my base radio sometimes it is difficult to read the display depending on the angle that I am looking at it from. It does NOT do crossband repeat. It garbles the audio. It has wideband RX so you can listen to other services. I am a volunteer firefighter here in Hermitage PA so it comes in handy to listen to my FD frequency. It also covers the RR frequencies and can be used to listen to your local RR road freq as you are out railfanning. Even with a 2m/440 mobile antenna it still out performs my scanners on a scanner antenna. (both antennas are mounted at the same spot but on opposite sides of my vehicle.) I think it is easy to operate for the basic items. It is easy to plug in a new frequency. I do generally like my TM-V7As. Just wish they had a different display. One that can be seen in daylight.

Hope this helps.

Paul L Hutley
kf4oox@...

At 11:26 PM 6/12/2002 +0000, you wrote:
>Your valued opinions are neededed. Does anybody own or is familiar
>with either if these two Kenwood models: TM-D700A & TM-V7A.
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>I haven't gotten my ticket yet, but am in the process.
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>Thanks-Shawn
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Paul L Hutley
kf4oox@...
KF4OOX

638. Re: [hamrailfans] Dual Band Mobile Info....

Yahoo group: hamrailfans
Date: 2002-06-13 04:49:20 UTC
From: TK
Topic: 636 Message: 638

The Kenwood TM-D700 has lots of nice features, lots of memory ch. and wide band rec.
118.00 - 174.00 so it will do railroad freqs just fine, but it is a 2meter/440 ham radio 1st.
Nice toy..... also covers 410 - 8?? mhz

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639. Re: [hamrailfans] Digest Number 303

Yahoo group: hamrailfans
Date: 2002-06-13 16:45:51 UTC
From: Ron R - KD5CYW
Topic: 639 Message: 639

Howdy,

I have several friends who has these, I think the D700 is the TNC data for APRS equipt and that is a nice rig.... the V7A is rather primative with the displays. Both are nice Rigs though for prefomance, most radios now have manty features and great sound.

I have a Alinco DJ-G5TH Hand Held, I use the 200 channel option split 100 each band, the Right side bank I have all the AAR channels programmed from 7-97 with the corasponding Freq's, so where ever I travel I always am just a turn of the knob away to the radio. The Left side is programmed for all the common 2m Ham repeater freq sets and that gets me into where I need to be, I just have to scan the tones and walla, I'm in there.

Icom makes nice rigs, you can program them, and they use one cable for all radios... I have several IC-2100H's that I program for the AAR channels, and it is AlphaNumeric so I have on Chl 7 reading "AAR 07" and such as it goes on up.

I been very happy with Icom (IC- T2A, -T2H, -2100H) and Alinco (DJ-G5TH, -180) radios that I have, my Radio Shack HTX-202 was my first one, and that did me great and still does. I will be looking into the Icom IC-V8000 75 Watt Mobile next year (Storm spotters need power to punch thru the storms), this one has a nice front speaker that pops out 3w of audio, and a strong clear sounding speaker, and you can "Bank" the channels like a scanner can. The IC-V8 is the hand held, and both of these radios are the Ham Version of thier commercial radio. Mainly I have these since the dealers at the Hamfests have great reports on them, so when you talk to folks about theirs, they let you know what is good and what is not.

Work on passing the test, and then you can talk instead of listening, it's more fun that way, good luck and keep us informed on that.

Ron

On 13 Jun 02, at 10:19, hamrailfans@yahoogroups.com,
hamrailfans@yahoogroups.com <hamrailfans@yahoogroups.com> wrote on
[hamrailfans] Digest Number 303:

Date sent: 13 Jun 2002 10:19:57 -0000
From: hamrailfans@yahoogroups.com
To: hamrailfans@yahoogroups.com
Subject: [hamrailfans] Digest Number 303
Send reply to: hamrailfans@yahoogroups.com

> Message: 3
>
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> band rec.
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http://www.swomrs.org

http://home.mmcable.com/trainsok/SWOMRS.html

http://www.railspot.com
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640. Re: TM-D700A & V7A

Yahoo group: hamrailfans
Date: 2002-06-13 21:20:08 UTC
From: Shawn Levy
Topic: 640 Message: 640

Guys, thanks for your imput. It answers a lot of questions.
I'm still trying to find someone in my area (New Orleans)
that has either, and there are no Ham related stores in my
area (big surprise).

There's one in Raceland, LA about 40 miles away, but
they don't seem to answer emails nor the phone.
That's a long way to drive only to find out they're not
open that day. I'll make up my mind after I get to eyeball
them.

Thanks again.

Shawn

641. Re: [hamrailfans] Re: TM-D700A & V7A

Yahoo group: hamrailfans
Date: 2002-06-13 21:33:28 UTC
From: Neil McKie
Topic: 640 Message: 641

I have found overthe years - when I have question, I call Amateur Electronics Supply - in Las Vegas, Nevada - ask for Squeak. 800-634-6227 ... or e-mail ad7k@...

Neil McKie - WA6KLA ...

Shawn Levy wrote:

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> open that day. I'll make up my mind after I get to eyeball
> them.
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> Thanks again.
>
> Shawn
>

642. SP 4449 On Vancouver, WA Stream

Yahoo group: hamrailfans
Date: 2002-06-14 04:20:52 UTC
From: eshoms
Topic: 642 Message: 642

For the second time this year I'm happy to announce you can follow the movements of SP 4449 on the Vancouver, WA Railroad Radio (http://www.railroadradio.net/)!!! SP 4449 will be pulling the Artrain (http://www.artrain.org/) from Brooklyn yard to Hillsboro starting on June 28 at 7am. You will hear radio chatter as the 4449 crew coordinates with the Brooklyn yardmaster for movement down the yard lead or the new Reed siding to Willsburg Jct. At Willsburg Jct., the 4449 will enter the Portland & Western Tillamook district where you can hear the 4449 pass over the hotbox detector at mp 753.2. From there you may hear other radio chatter such as coordinating movements with other P&W trains or maintenance of way. Arrival in Hillsboro should be around 10am. The return trip to Brooklyn will fall sometime around July 2. Please look for updates on this site or at http://www.4449.com/.

On June 28 and July 2, I will be focusing the Vancouver radio on UP's dispatcher 01, dispatcher 70, and the P&W. The regular BNSF and POTB frequencies will be locked out during this time to give everyone the best chance to hear all movements of the 4449.

For those of you unfamiliar, RailroadRadio.net offers Live Railroad Radio audio streams of several western BNSF and UP railroad service areas throughout California and the Pacific Northwest. While the service it provides is free, you will need to have some form of streaming audio reception software (such as Winamp or Realplayer both programs are 'freeware'). The RailroadRadio.net website can assist you in the obtaining and setting up of this free software if you don't already use it to listen to MP3s or webcast music programs.

643. Master Website of all sorts of stuff

Yahoo group: hamrailfans
Date: 2002-06-19 04:00:23 UTC
From: Ron R - KD5CYW
Topic: 643 Message: 643

Howdy,
I forgot what list had something asked about Antennas for scanners....
but this is good for all.

I got this link sent to me from a friend.....
http://www.ac6v.com/

All I can say is, go to this, and you have a ball surfing this site, loaded with more info
you can shake a stick at, and when that stick breaks while shaking, pick up another
one and continue shaking.

Have Fun, or is it Have Fun !!!!!!!!!!!,

73's
Ron Roman, KD5CYW
Altus, OK

644. Railham something or another....

Yahoo group: hamrailfans
Date: 2002-06-22 03:31:18 UTC
From: Ron R - KD5CYW
Topic: 644 Message: 644

Hey Railhams, or Rail Scanners with the Short Wave Radios,

With tomorrows ARRL Field Day from Sat 1pm CST to Sun 1pm CST is the big Ham radio contest, this time with more Countries to be involved and contact.

We will be operating here in SW OK, under our club call of AJ5Q and will be ?A OK (? = number of stations i.e. 4 OK, 6 OK, ect ect, with Emerg Batt Power, we don't know yet, since we are not set up yet till 12 noonish we will know.... depends who shows up. I hope the BBQ grill will get some folks here.)

So if you hear that call, it could be me yapping', or best to know there is a RailHam in this Club station helping out somewhere logging in stations or BBQ'g for them hungary hams.

.....Also in the news, with this operated by Barton Jennings with the Southern Appalachia Railway Museum this Fall..... also seen in the R&R mag ads, and a few others.....

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I have been emailed by several Hams in the area, that running a special event station for this is a rather good idea, and this may become reality and brew into something that hams have not done around here in a while with Hams in this TX/OK area, or who ever comes around from the DX lands beyond to take part. It is in the planning stages now... details to be worked on even more after FD 2002, I got my hat pin, and T Shirt, ready to go DX'g, hope to get a Railham on the air too.

Hope you all have a good weekend, and take care,

73's with the Highball,
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645. Re: [Train_Rides] Digest Number 160

Yahoo group: hamrailfans
Date: 2002-06-24 02:10:25 UTC
From: Ron R - KD5CYW
Topic: 645 Message: 645

Howdy,

I was thinking of doing a Ham Radio Special Event Station with this as a 1x1 call sign. (Special FCC Call Permit for a 1x1, limited time usage.) After all the Circus Museum in Baraboo, WI was helped out doing so about the same thing, they had onboard Ham crews radio ahead for station needs, and ETA's, as well as a Rail-mobile HF HRSES with a 1x1 call, also with APRS tracking beacon that you can see on the web of it's journey. The had station OS'ers to report the train by at such and such time and for ground support ahead to Eyeball the train of any defects that it may have had. I think July is this years run again?, have not heard, also the fella who Org this whole thing became a Silent Key (Passed away) few months shortly after the run of 2001. Funny thing was one year they ditched the Hams and went with a Private RadioComm provider, well the next year the Hams were back.... I wonder who the Pro's was. (LOL)

With the turnout this weekend of AARL Field Day 2002 here, I am begining to wonder if I should or shouldn't..... But, I had a few folks email me, and a few at FD 2002 let me know that is would be good to do it.... Looks like I will bring this upto the club next meeting..... they may go for it, they may not. This more or less good for relay training for items of sorts of ARES training, and other areas of traffic net control routing, and ground safety, ect ect.

Sometimes two areas of interst, being a RailHam, can be smashing like a hard coupling of cars down off the Hump Yard. Once you plan something like this, you got to stick to it and do the best you can do.... it is not a one Ham show for sure.

Still pondering the Idea.....
Ron

On 21 Jun 02, at 3:04, Train_Rides@yahoogroups.com, Train_Rides@yahoogroups.com <Train_Rides@yahoogroups.com> wrote on [Train_Rides] Digest Number 160:

> Message: 1
> Date: Thu, 20 Jun 2002 08:20:58 -0700
> From: "Paul S. Highland" <paul-kim@...>
> Subject: Fwd: Oklahoma Limited special, 10/31 - 11/03/2002
>
> --------- Forwarded message ----------
> Date: Wed, 19 Jun 2002 23:38:55 -0500
> From: Terry M La France <mailto:okt@...>
> From: Barton Jennings <mailto:bjennin1@...>
>
> [These are ex Frisco, Katy and Santa Fe Orient lines. - Terry]
>
> OK folks, here it is, the information on the Farmrail trip this fall that
> you requested. A copy of the flyer is below. Here is the arrangement.

>
> I do not have a final agreement but things seem to be all worked out. I
> have price quotes, etc. I just need the contracts. Since I just got off
> the road from a 4 week trip and am hitting the road for another week, I
> thought that I would go ahead and get this out.
>
> For those that requested early information, you have first shot at the
> tickets. Please e-mail me with the count and then send in a check. You
> will have until the end of July to get a check to me. After that, the
> tickets go on sale to the general public in the Oklahoma area (if I have
> a final contract ready). seating is very limited (130 max in coach,
> another 40 in 1st class).
>
> I will hold the checks until all contracts are confirmed. Tickets will
> go out at that time. Any questions, please e-mail me.
>
> Hope to see everyone there this fall...
>
> Bart Jennings <mailto:bjennin1@...>
> _____
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>
> Come ride with the Southern Appalachia Railway Museum and High Iron on our
> yearly rare mileage train ride, this year covering four separate railroads
> over four days. We will cover more than 550 miles (365 of them unique) of
> railroad in western Texas and Oklahoma. The railroads include Farmrail,
> Grainbelt, Hollis & Eastern, and the Wichita, Tillman & Jackson. These will
> be the first public trips in nearly 50 years over much of this mileage.
> Tickets are available for one day or for all four. Come join us on this
> once-in-a-lifetime event. Seating for this trip is very limited, early
> reservations are recommended.

73's with the Highball,
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http://www.railspot.com

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646. Re: RS: Re: [Train_Rides] Digest Number 160

Yahoo group: hamrailfans
Date: 2002-06-24 04:06:09 UTC
From: Earl Needham
Topic: 646 Message: 646

At 09:10 PM 6/23/2002 -0500, Ron R - KD5CYW wrote:
>Howdy,
>
>I was thinking of doing a Ham Radio Special Event Station with this as a
>1x1 call sign.
>(Special FCC Call Permit for a 1x1, limited time usage.)

HEY! I heard a 1x1 call today, I think it was W6R.

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Earl

Earl Needham, KD5XB, Clovis, New Mexico DM84jk
KD5XB-2>APW251,PCSAT-1*:=3425.83N/10313.55W-PHG7150/WinAPRS 2.5.1
-EARL_CLOVIS -251-<630>
Did you get a letter from Nigeria offering a "deal"? See
http://home.rica.net/alphae/419coal/ and
http://www.crimes-of-persuasion.com/Crimes/Business/nigerian.htm

647. Re: Query and RS Scanner

Yahoo group: hamrailfans
Date: 2002-07-02 16:47:33 UTC
From: Ron R - KD5CYW
Topic: 647 Message: 647

Hey Fella's,

Yes and Eprom could go bad.... that is not unheard of, it is rare, but it does happen. While in the preflight of launching out my Bird today, I talked to a Avionics fella, and he said Eproms do go out at time, the radios on the plane does throw Error Codes for that if, Memory will not load from the Program card,.... hence a R/T change, that is where the Eprom memory is at. See Jerry was thinking on a same wave length... I knew that ringing in my ears was not from them TF-39 engines.

With the PRO-64, it is Eprom memory from what I recall.

Just passing on some info..... For those who want to support the Ft. Worth HQ business end. I got the Rat Shack flyer today...

Cat Item # 20-524, Reg $249.99 on Sale $199.99
Pro-94, 1000 chl Hand held scanner, Dual Trunking, has WX radio Alert built in.

Also they have...
1000 Chl Desk Top Model, Cat Item # 20-432, PRO- ????
Reg $299.99 on Sale for $249.99, Dual Trunking, also has Mil UHF Air Band, and can be programmed from the computer (Cable and Software Extra), and WX alert.

If you ck out the RS web page www.radioshack.com you can click onto the scanner and get the whole scoop with the description.
Not a bad deal really.... if any one is thinking of a new scanner. And you can order over the Net and have it shipped to the house. Sale ends 7/28/02.

Have a great day, Lunch is almost over, got to scoot,
73's
Ron

On 2 Jul 02, at 8:49, Jerry storrs Jr., Jerry storrs Jr. <jwstorrs@...> wrote on
RS: RE: Query:

To: "Donald E. Harper, Jr" <harperd@...>,
"Railspot" <railspot@yahoogroups.com>
From: "Jerry storrs Jr." <jwstorrs@...>
Date sent: Tue, 2 Jul 2002 08:49:41 -0500
Subject: RS: RE: Query

> I had one that the eprom went south in it. If the scanner is very new that
> shouldn't be the problem but it could be. Mine didn't erase though. It
> just remembered what it wanted to not what you wanted it to.
>
> Jerry
>
>

> -----Original Message-----
> From: Donald E. Harper, Jr [mailto:harperd@...]
> Sent: Monday, July 01, 2002 5:34 PM
> To: Railspot
> Subject: RS: Query
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>
> My scanner has deprogrammed itself twice in the past two weeks. After
> re-entering all the RR frequencies about a week ago, I turned it on this
> afternoon and all was gone. Channel 1 was flashing with all zeros where the
> frequency should have been. Anyone know what is going on? Should not be
> battery related, as the display just goes away when the batteries wear out.
>
>
> Don Harper

On 2 Jul 02, at 9:22, Donald E. Harper, Jr, Donald E. Harper, Jr
<harperd@...> wrote on Re: RS: Query:

Date sent: Tue, 02 Jul 2002 09:22:36 -0500
Subject: Re: RS: Query
From: "Donald E. Harper, Jr" <harperd@...>
To: rroman@..., waynea@...

> I have a PRO-64 hyperscan from Radio Shack. If there are memory batteries,
> they are buried in the works. I guess if I unscrew the 4 screws holding the
> back on I will get to the memory battery?
>
>
> Don Harper
> Texas A&M Marine Lab
> 5007 Avenue U
> Galveston, TX 77551
> 409/740-4540
>
>
>

Ron Roman, WG-10 Hydraulics Tech.
C-5A Flight Line, Day Shift (7-4)
Altus AFB, Altus, OK

"Tell me what you need, and I'll tell you how to get along without it."

http://www.altus.af.mil

If at first you don't succeed, throw it in the spare parts box.

"ALWAYS REMEMBER, IF NOT FOR THE AIRCRAFT MAINTENANCE MAN,
THE WORLDS HOTTEST FIGHTER PILOT WOULD BE IN THE INFANTRY"

Yea, though I Fly Through the Valley of Death I Shall Fear No Evil, For I Am at 80,000 Feet and Climbing. - Sign over the entrance to the SR-71 operations building at Kadena, Okinawa

648. RS Scanner Description - Plus some.....

Yahoo group: hamrailfans
Date: 2002-07-02 23:22:03 UTC
From: Ron R - KD5CYW
Topic: 647 Message: 648

Enjoy.....
Here is from some net surfing..... on the RS website....
Search as..... Scanner Radios & Essentials
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Desk Top..... Not bad, and the Cable and CD is not a bad price, (Icom wants about $45 for their set up, Kenwood about $50-60, and Motorola.... ha ha we won't go there.)

Pro-2052 1000-Channel Dual-Trunking DeskTop Scanner

$249.99 Sale
$299.99 Reg. Price
Brand: RadioShack
Cat.#: 20-432 Model: PRO-2052
(Pricing and Availability may vary outside the contiguous 48 United States.)

Where to Buy
On-line Yes
In Stores Yes
1-800-THE-SHACK Yes

1000-channel dual-trunking desktop scanner.

Features Include:
? Weather alert
? RS-232 link for PC uploads, downloads (requires cable and software)

Specifications:
Frequency Coverage:
? 29-54, 108-174, 179.5-512, 806-956 (excluding cellular) and 1240 - 1300MHz
Jacks:
? Power, RS-232C
Antenna connection:
? BNC
Antenna:
? Detachable Indoor
Frequency List:
? Nationwide trunked listing
Dimensions:
? 2-3/8 x 8-1/16 x 7-7/16"

Includes a UL listed adapter or add car DC #273-1810/M.

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Scanner PC Programming Kit
(Pricing and Availability may vary outside the contiguous 48 United States.)

$14.99 Reg. Price
Brand: RadioShack
Cat.#: 20-048 Model: 20-48

Where to Buy
On-line Yes
In Stores Yes
1-800-THE-SHACK Yes

Includes CD-ROM and data cable for fast, easy set-up of many RadioShack Pro-series scanners. Works with models #20-313, #20-314, #20-422, #20-423 and #20-514.

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Hand Held.... Does not have Mil Air UHF.

Sorry, this item is out of stock in our on-line store. It may be available at your local RadioShack store. Click here for the address and phone number of a RadioShack store near you.

Pro-94 1000-Channel Dual-Trunking Scanner

$199.99 Sale
$249.99 Reg. Price Brand: RadioShack
Cat.#: 20-524 Model: Pro-94
(Pricing and Availability may vary outside the contiguous 48 United States.)

Where to Buy
On-line No
In Stores Yes
1-800-THE-SHACK No

1000-channel dual-trunking scanner. Features include:
Extended coverage of 220MHz and 1,240MHz Ham bands
? Built-in NOAA weather alert with level of alert displayed
? Memory arranged with 20 banks of 50 channels, 20 priority channels
? Service search makes it easy to explore preset frequencies for police, fire, weather, aircraft, marine and Amateur Radio

Model Pro-94
Frequency Coverage
29-54
108-136.975
137-174
216-224.995
406-512
806-823.9375
851-868.9875
896.1125-956 (excluding cellular) and
1240 - 1300MHz

Jacks - Earphone
Antenna connection - BNC
Antenna - Flexible detachable
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Dimensions 6? 5/16x2? 5/8x1? 3/4"

Add 4 ?AA? batteries or adapter: AC #273-1767/H, DC #273-1810/H.

?Follows Motorola I, II, VII plus GE/Ericsson (EDACS) analog trunked police/fire/EMS radio systems. Mobile use of scanners may be unlawful in some areas or may require a permit. Check with local authorities.

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Here is a added bonus..... Not a bad price.

Deluxe Antenna for Handheld Scanner

$16.99 Reg. Price Brand: RadioShack
Cat.#: 20-034 Model: 20-034
(Pricing and Availability may vary outside the contiguous 48 United States.)

Where to Buy
On-line Yes
In Stores Yes
1-800-THE-SHACK Yes

It's the ideal replacement for a lost or damaged antenna and it's also a great upgrade. Longer 9" length helps improve reception of marginal signals. BNC connector fits all RadioShack and most other handheld scanners. Can also be used with Ham HTs for transmitting on the 144MHz or 440MHz Ham bands.

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and.... good for the protection.

Leather Scanner Case 20-506

$15.99 Sale
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Where to Buy
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Leather Scanner Case 20-506

Or.....
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Deluxe leather case for PRO-76

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Deluxe leather case for PRO-76 Scanner.
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I had come across a product at a local building & farm store here, in the Work Belt, Work Pouches, Work Bags that type of workers stuff.

Manu: Custom LeatherCraft (CLC) Mfg Inc.
Price: $9.98

It is called a Cell Phone Holster (product # 1125), it is a 3 way mount, can hook up as a clip on
with the a very gripping clip, thru the belt loop, or thru the suspender strap. with a fliptop /
velcro cover to protect and keep it in place.

A great design, but make sure you try your scanner in it first, may be too thick. My Icom IC-
T2H and Alinco DJ-180 fit no problem. I have tried a few other radios in it... the Icom W32, V8,
and a few others that I forgot, fits rather well.

Have a great eveing,

73's with the Highball,
Ron Roman, KD5CYW
Altus, Oklahoma

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649. Baraboo, WI

Yahoo group: hamrailfans
Date: 2002-07-16 22:38:49 UTC
From: Ron R - KD5CYW
Topic: 649 Message: 649

OK here is a question, maybe someone may know tha answer....

Since, Jim Romelfanger, K9ZZ, of Baraboo, was a headman behind the annual Circus World Museum Circus Train Amateur Radio special event each summer and now SK since Dec 2001.....

Has there been anything set for that run in the Ham Dept? Have not seen it listed.

I got the August 2002 issue of QST and saw only one thing in there for Eland, WI on 15z 10 to 22z 11 Aug for Eland RR Days at the Historic Eland Railroad Depot. on HF 28.460, 21.360, 14.260, 7.260.

Or did that die off with Jim.....

73's
Ron Roman, KD5CYW
Altus, OK

650. Change in the law.....

Yahoo group: hamrailfans
Date: 2002-07-17 17:44:18 UTC
From: Ron R - KD5CYW
Topic: 650 Message: 650

Read this..... another Congressional law..... under the nose.....

------- Forwarded Message Follows -------
Date sent: 17 Jul 2002 14:28:31 -0000
From: RailScan@yahoogroups.com
To: RailScan@yahoogroups.com
Subject: [RailScan] Digest Number 804
Send reply to: RailScan@yahoogroups.com
1. [Fwd: [aprssig] Re: Congress votes to make interception of cell and cordless a felony]
From: Jim Duncan <jdbandman@...

Message: 1
Date: Tue, 16 Jul 2002 21:55:07 -0500
From: Jim Duncan <jdbandman@...
Subject: [Fwd: [aprssig] Re: Congress votes to make interception of cell and cordless a felony]

blitz wrote:

Sorry to be the bearer of bad news, but something of enormous importance to radio hobbyists has just happened in Washington, and so far I haven't seen any mention or discussion of it on any scanner or ham lists I follow.

I hope this message will alert others to what has just happened and get people thinking about the consequences...

The House just passed the Cyber Electronic Security Act last night (7/15/02) by an overwhelming margin of 385-3.

Buried in an otherwise draconian bill that raises penalties for computer hacking that causes death or serious injury to life in prison and allows government monitoring of communications and email without warrants in even more circumstances is the following seeming obscure language:

SEC. 108. PROTECTING PRIVACY.

(a) Section 2511- Section 2511(4) of title 18, United States Code, is amended--

(1) by striking paragraph (b); and

(2) by redesignating paragraph (c) as paragraph (b).

For those of you who don't realize what this means ....

Section 2511 subsection 4 of title 18 (the ECPA) currently
reads as foilows.... the CESA will strike part (b) of this language.

Penalties..

(a)

Except as provided in paragraph (b) of this subsection or in subsection
(5), whoever violates subsection (1) of this section shall be fined
under this title or imprisoned not more than five years, or both.

[The following section will be eliminated by the new law...]

(b)

If the offense is a first offense under paragraph (a) of this subsection
and is not for a tortious or illegal purpose or for purposes of direct
or indirect commercial advantage or private commercial gain, and the
wire or electronic communication with respect to which the offense under
paragraph (a) is a radio communication that is not scrambled, encrypted,
or transmitted using modulation techniques the essential parameters of
which have been withheld from the public with the intention of
preserving the privacy of such communication, then -

(i)

if the communication is not the radio portion of a cellular telephone
communication, a cordless telephone communication that is transmitted
between the cordless telephone handset and the base unit, a public land
mobile radio service communication or a paging service communication,
and the conduct is not that described in subsection (5), the offender
shall be fined under this title or imprisoned not more than one year, or
both; and

(ii)

if the communication is the radio portion of a cellular telephone
communication, a cordless telephone communication that is transmitted
between the cordless telephone handset and the base unit, a public land
mobile radio service communication or a paging service communication,
the offender shall be fined under this title.

What this does is change the penalty for the first offense of
intercepting an unscrambled and unencrypted radio communication that is
not supposed to be listened to (eg AMPS cellular calls, commercial
pagers, cordless phones, common carrier communications) for hobby
purposes (eg not a tortuous or illegal purpose or for direct or indirect
commercial advantage or private commercial gain) from a misdemeanor (one
year or less prison time) to a federal FELONY (5 years prison time).

And further this changes the status of the specific offense of
listening to a cell call, cordless call, a pager, or a public land
mobile radio service communication (eg a telephone interconnect) from a
minor offense for which one can be fined a maximum of $500 to a federal

FELONY for which one can be imprisoned for up to 5 years.

In effect this removes a safe harbor created during the negotiations over the ECPA back in 1985-86 which ensured that first offenses for hobby radio listening were only treated as minor crimes - after this law is passed simply intentionally tuning a common scanner to the (non-blocked) cordless phone frequencies could be prosecuted as a felony for which one could serve 5 years in jail.

And in case any of my readers have forgotten, a federal felony conviction (even without any jail time) deprives one of the right to vote, to own firearms, to be employed in a number of high level jobs and professions, to hold certain professional licenses and permits, and important for certain readers of these lists absolutely eliminates for life the possibility of holding any kind of security clearance whatever (a recent change in the rules) - something required for many if not most interesting government and government related jobs.

So merely being stopped by a cop with the cordless phone frequencies in your scanner could conceivably result in life long loss of important rights and privileges.

For some of you out there this may seem small potatoes and irrelevant since it merely changes the penalties for an already illegal act (which you are not supposed to be engaged in) and doesn't make anything new illegal. But this is a rather naive view.

The federal government was certainly not going to prosecute a hobbyist for radio communications interception under the old version of the ECPA if the worst penalty that could be levied was a $500 fine - there simply is not the budget or the staff to prosecute people for what would be a very minor offense (equivalent of a speeding ticket). And even prosecuting hobbyists for more serious interception (eg not cellular, cordless or pagers) was still a misdemeanor offense prosecution with jail time unlikely.

So in practice the only prosecutions were of people who clearly had a commercial purpose or otherwise engaged in egregious and public (eg the Newt call) conduct - no ever got prosecuted. And this was doubtless the intent of Congress back in 1985-86 - it would be illegal to monitor certain radio traffic but only a minor offense if you did so for hobby type personal curiosity or just to hack with the equipment or technology - and a serious felony if one engaged in such conduct for the purpose of committing a crime or gaining financial or commercial advantage (eg true spying or electronic eavesdropping).

But after this bill is signed into law (and clearly it will be), it will be quite possible for a federal prosecution of a hobbyist for illegal radio listening to be justified as a serious felony offense worth the time and effort and money to try and put in jail even if the offense is not for a commercial purpose or part of an illegal scheme. Thus "radio hacker" prosecutions have now become possible, and even

perhaps probable.

And federal prosecutors and law enforcement agents get career advancement and attention from senior management in their agencies in direct proportion to the seriousness of the offense they are investigating and prosecuting - nobody ever advances to senior agent for going after jaywalkers, thus by raising the level of less than legal hobby radio monitoring offenses from a jaywalking class offense to a serious felony for which there can be real jail time it becomes much more interesting from a career perspective to prosecute radio .

And needless to say, such prosecutions would be shooting fish in a barrel type things given that many individuals are quite open on Internet newsgroups and mailing lists about their activities.

And of course this MAJOR change in the ECPA also has the effect of making the rather ambiguous and unclear meaning of "readily accessible to the general public" much more significant, since intercepting something that isn't readily accessible to the general public is now clearly a serious crime even if done for hobby purposes as a first offense. Thus one has to be much more careful about making sure that the signal is a legal one...

And further than all of this, and perhaps even MUCH more significant to radio on Internet scanner lists ....

The careful, thoughtful reader will note that section 4 has been revised a bit lately, and that this new section 4 (see above) now makes it a federal felony with 5 years in jail penalties to violate section 1 INCLUDING the following provisions of section 1:

18 USC 2511:

(1)
Except as otherwise specifically provided in this chapter any person who -

(c)

intentionally discloses, or endeavors to disclose, to any other person the contents of any wire, oral, or electronic communication, knowing or having reason to know that the information was obtained through the interception of a wire, oral, or electronic communication in violation of this subsection;

(d)

intentionally uses, or endeavors to use, the contents of any wire, oral, or electronic communication, knowing or having reason to know that the information was obtained through the interception of a wire, oral, or electronic communication in violation of this subsection; or

shall be punished as provided in subsection (4) or shall be subject to suit as provided in subsection (5).

This seems to have changed the status of revealing as part of a hobby list any hint of the contents of a radio communications that might or might not have been legally intercepted from a potentially minor misdemeanor offense or less to a serious felony. Thus if a court finds that any communication reported on an Internet list was not legally intercepted, felony penalties apply for publishing the information even if the interception was for hobby purposes (which of course most scanner list intercepts are).

Most significant for many of us, the section 18 USC 2510 exceptions to the prohibitions on intercepting radio communications in 18 USC 2511 are pretty silent about military communications - not prohibited, or specifically allowed except as "governmental communications". So it is possible that military comms might be found to be illegal to intercept and thus passing around information about them a potential felony, even though of course the military has complete access to the world's best COMSEC technology and uses for anything sensitive. But in a paranoid age (post 9/11) anything goes... and if the government wants to go after scanner lists (like Milcom) it might now be able to do so with prosecutions with real teeth and jail time.

Thus the legal climate has fundamentally changed, and one can assume that since the Bush administration has been pushing for the passage of this bill that they perhaps intend to start prosecuting at least some category of radio under the new provisions - no doubt as an example meant to scare the rest of us into handing our radios in at the nearest police station...

So yet another blow to the radio hobbies.... and a big one indeed...

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You are currently subscribed to aprssig as: KU0G@...
To unsubscribe send a blank email to leave-aprssig-1615Q@...
Questions regarding the SIG go to the SIG administrator: wa1lou@...

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73 de Jim, KU0G
Chairman/Coordinator
Kansas City APRS Working Group, W0APR
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651. Re: [hamrailfans] Change in the law

Yahoo group: hamrailfans
Date: 2002-07-18 18:38:40 UTC
From: Phil Kane
Topic: 651 Message: 651

> Date: Wed, 17 Jul 2002 12:44:18 -0500
> From: "Ron R - KD5CYW" <rroman@...>

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> passage of this bill that they perhaps intend to start prosecuting at
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> doubt as an example meant to scare the rest of us into handing our
> radios in at the nearest police station...

Like anything else in our legal system, if "they" want to get you
for spitting on the sidewalk they will, and if they don't want to
bother with it, they won't.
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> So yet another blow to the radio hobbies.... and a big one
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Why does everyone seem to miss the key point that there is no
violation UNLESS the sender of a specific message/data files a
complaint that the "violator" is not authorizerd to incercept the
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The cops can't (and won't) bust anyone unless they have a valid
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The key phrase in all this "without permission". Having a scanner
with "phone" frequencies puched in is not enough. There has to be
actual interception to be in violation.

Everybody wants to play lawyer..... <sheeesh>

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73 de K2ASP - Phil Kane

A REAL communications attorney
who works in this very field.

652. Re: [hamrailfans] Change in the law

Yahoo group: hamrailfans
Date: 2002-07-18 18:51:28 UTC
From: Steve Kann
Topic: 651 Message: 652

On Thu, Jul 18, 2002 at 11:38:40AM -0700, Phil Kane wrote:
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Definately. And although IANAL, there's certainly lots of legal reasons to have those frequencies programmed and tuned; i.e. you want to use your scanner to listen in on your _own_ cordless phone calls, which is certainly legal to do.

Besides, I think that same band is also used by lots of wireless devices, like baby monitors, wireless PA systems (radio shack), etc. I use my ham radio to listen to the baby monitor occasionally..

-SteveK

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653. Re: [hamrailfans] Change in the law

Yahoo group: hamrailfans
Date: 2002-07-18 20:50:51 UTC
From: Timothy Kilbride
Topic: 651 Message: 653

When I got into my accident I had a scanner mounted in my car, handheld ham radio, and a handheld scanner. I knew what channel all the radio's were set on before i got into my accident and when I went to get my car from the towing service i could tell they checked all my radio's for certain frequecnies I am guessing. The ham radio I remember was in VFO mode but I had it in memory mode b/c thats how called in my accident. The scanner was on scan and when I got it back it was in manual mode and on a channel that I didn't even have the bank open so it could scan it and my handheldscanner that I had would start scannering when started up if it was scannering when shut off. When I turned it on it was in manual mode. So they do check those kind of things.

TIm K.
----- Original Message -----
From: "Steve Kann" <stevek@...>
To: <hamrailfans@yahoogroups.com>
Sent: Thursday, July 18, 2002 11:51 AM
Subject: Re: [hamrailfans] Change in the law

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654. Re: [hamrailfans] Change in the law

Yahoo group: hamrailfans
Date: 2002-07-18 19:55:06 UTC
From: Harry Marnell
Topic: 651 Message: 654

That could well have been a towing company employee/scanner fan's doing, of course. Most coppers have neither knowledge of or interest in specific frequencies... unless they happen to be scannerheads. You're lucky the radios didn't disappear!

I once worked for a security company, one of my accounts was a contract garage for LAPD, who had been having a string of minor thefts. We caught a number of the company's employees stripping stored/impounded cars. Besides the employees being fired and arrested, the company came this close => | <= to losing their contract with the city.

Harry

----- Original Message -----
From: "Timothy Kilbride" <icrr1022@...>
To: <hamrailfans@yahoogroups.com>
Sent: Thursday, July 18, 2002 13:50
Subject: Re: [hamrailfans] Change in the law

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> ----- Original Message -----
> From: "Steve Kann" <stevek@...>
> To: <hamrailfans@yahoogroups.com>
> Sent: Thursday, July 18, 2002 11:51 AM
> Subject: Re: [hamrailfans] Change in the law
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655. Re: [hamrailfans] Change in the law

Yahoo group: hamrailfans
Date: 2002-07-19 00:30:01 UTC
From: Wil Brubaker
Topic: 651 Message: 655

"Phil Kane" <railfan@...> writes:
To: <hamrailfans@yahoogroups.com>
Sent: Thursday, July 18, 2002 2:38 PM
Subject: Re: [hamrailfans] Change in the law

It's not a done deed until the Senate passes the bill, it goes through conference committee, and the Prresident signs it.

Thus, EYE have sent letters to MY two senators, as well as my Congressman, so I'd like to think I have done some portion of "my part," in kicking the gov't to not spend MY tax money trying to screw people who weren't trying to screw anyone else in the first place

You might want to adapt part of this, in writing YOUR senators.

Dear Senator:

I read where the Cyber Electronic Security Act, which amends Section 2511-Section 2511(4) of title 18, United States Code, was passed by the House in the past couple days. One of the provisions of that act seems to make listening to radio communications that are otherwise uncoded, or scrambled, just for hobby purposes, a felony for which a person could be jailed for up to five years.

This is extreme, making a hobby which doesn?t hurt anybody, a felony.

My sources tell me that the consequences for arrest----even without jail time----can end the right to vote, and a number of other things such as ever getting a security clearance, which would mean more to somebody younger than my age of 56 years, and creates the possibility of the federal government working hard to prosecute a ?criminal? who wasn?t trying to hurt anyone in the first place.

If police and fire departments don?t want outsiders listening, they can scramble their communications, like the Upper Darby Police Department does when their radio dispatcher says, ?Go to red.?

This part of the act should be stricken. It was intended to make listening to cell phone calls illegal, with which I agree. But this section about hobbyists? radio listening was a mistake, making a lot of average Joes law-breakers.

I would appreciate your help in this matter, editing out that part when it comes up for debate in the Senate.

Sincerely,

The Capitol Hill switchboard is 202/224-3121; the Senate directory is at <http://www.senate.gov/contacting/index.cfm>.

Hope this helps,

Wil Brubaker

656. Re: [hamrailfans] Change in the law

Yahoo group: hamrailfans
Date: 2002-07-18 19:45:05 UTC
From: Harry Marnell
Topic: 651 Message: 656

Why would they consider passing these specific provisions if there's not an intent to have the FCC/FBI/MuthaLandSecurityAgency enforce them?

----- Original Message -----
From: "Phil Kane" <railfan@...>
To: <hamrailfans@yahoogroups.com>
Sent: Thursday, July 18, 2002 11:38
Subject: Re: [hamrailfans] Change in the law

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> > Date: Wed, 17 Jul 2002 12:44:18 -0500
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657. Re: [hamrailfans] Changes in the law

Yahoo group: hamrailfans
Date: 2002-07-19 17:25:17 UTC
From: Phil Kane
Topic: 657 Message: 657

> Date: Thu, 18 Jul 2002 20:30:01 -0400
> From: "Wil Brubaker" <wil8apcc@...>
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You are missing the point, Wil...this law requires the sender to make a complaint - the "cops" can't act on their own initiative. Then it's no different from investigating and prosecuting any other theft - in this case, theft of information.

If you are not aware of it, the ECPA was an upgrade of Title III of the Safe Streets Act in the mid-60s which was passed to limit the ability of law enforcement to make and use unauthorized intercepts and wiretaps in the wake of the Sopreme Court's Katz decision which establisked the "penumbra of privacy".

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I don't think that I would be writing to my Congressreps on this one. I have more important legislative fish to fry.

As an attorney well versed in this field, and as a retired Federal law enfocement manager and a scannerist for over 40 years, I have no problem with changing the classification of this crime from a misdemeanor to a felony. One should not get caught by the sender doing the proscribed act (intentionally intercepting transmissions when the sender objects) in the first place, and making it a felony just umderscores that prohibition.

And since the prosecution now has to prove intent, their job is that much harder and no U S Attorney would bother with a case that wasn't rock solid...inless "they" wanted to nail you for some other reason, such as "contempt of cop" or "failure to remain silent when you should". <ggg>

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73 de K2ASP - Phil Kane
Licensed 50 years already

658. ARLB043 ARRL receives homeland security training grant

Yahoo group: hamrailfans
Date: 2002-07-20 04:09:10 UTC
From: Ron R - KD5CYW
Topic: 658 Message: 658

Well just got this today.....
Interesting stuff..... I see a pattern on course heading some where.
Ron
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ARLB043 ARRL receives homeland security training grant

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ARRL Bulletin 43 ARLB043
>From ARRL Headquarters
Newington CT July 19, 2002
To all radio amateurs

SB QST ARL ARLB043
ARLB043 ARRL receives homeland security training grant

The ARRL will receive a $181,900 homeland security grant from the US government to train Amateur Radio operators in emergency communication. The League was among several dozen nonprofit organizations designated to receive some $10.3 million in federal money to boost homeland defense volunteer programs. The grant, from the Corporation for National and Community Service special volunteer program, will provide free ARRL Amateur Radio Emergency Communications Course training to 5200 volunteers nationwide, starting in 2003.

''ARRL is the national association for Amateur Radio and is the national leader in emergency communications by volunteers who operate their own equipment on their time at no cost to any government, organization, or corporation,'' said the announcement July 18 from Homeland Security Director Tom Ridge. The ARRL plans to revise and update the emergency communications curriculum to incorporate additional elements of emergency preparedness and homeland security.

ARRL President Jim Haynie, W5JBP, said he was extremely pleased by the news. ''This adds legitimacy to the public service work Amateur Radio has been doing for years,'' he said.

ARRL Chief Development Officer Mary Hobart, K1MMH, applied for the funding in May. ''I think this is an extraordinarily exciting day for Amateur Radio that the role of Amateur Radio in homeland security is recognized at the highest levels of government,'' Hobart said upon learning of the grant.
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Citing Amateur Radio's response in the aftermath of the September 11 terrorist attacks, Hobart said the federal grant ''will help continue our work in providing public service and to protect lives, homes, businesses and our frequencies, as we have for decades.''

ARRL Chief Executive Officer David Sumner, K1ZZ, said he was pleased that the League would be able to extend its Amateur Radio Emergency Communications program to thousands of amateurs who might otherwise not be able to afford the program. ''We hope all who are interested will get on board,'' he said.

The grant announcement said that ''expanding the opportunities for Americans to participate in meaningful volunteer service'' is at the heart of President George Bush's USA Freedom Corps, of which the Corporation for National and Community Service is a part.

''We are deeply grateful to Tom Ridge and to the Corporation for National and Community Service for providing Amateur Radio with a unique opportunity to serve our country,'' Hobart said.

In June, the ARRL and United Technologies Corporation announced a partnership to provide free ARRL Amateur Radio Emergency Communications Course training for up to 250 Connecticut amateurs.
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Ron Roman, KD5CYW
Member and Vice Pres. of the...
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There is no reason to fly through a thunderstorm in peacetime.
- Sign over squadron ops desk at Davis-Monthan AFB, AZ, 1970.

659. Re: [hamrailfans] Change in the law

Yahoo group: hamrailfans
Date: 2002-07-20 21:09:02 UTC
From: Phil Kane
Topic: 651 Message: 659

> Date: Thu, 18 Jul 2002 12:45:05 -0700
> From: "Harry Marnell" <RedCars@...>

>Why would they consider passing these specific provisions if there's
>not an intent to have the FCC/FBI/MuthaLandSecurityAgency enforce
>them?

Pure cosmetics. Those who worked on that bill have no hands-on experience in the field -- those of us who do have known that for years.

Note that they didn't change the elements of the violation (what one has to do to be found guilty of the violation) - only the penalty. Some of this is the fall-out of the interception and divulgence of the Newt Gingrich call several years ago.

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73 de K2ASP - Phil Kane

660. Re: [RailScan] addition to post on commercial radios

Yahoo group: hamrailfans
Date: 2002-07-21 17:29:28 UTC
From: Harry Marnell
Topic: 660 Message: 660

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Harry Marnell
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To: <RailScan@yahoogroups.com>
Sent: Sunday, July 21, 2002 04:39
Subject: Re: [RailScan] addition to post on commercial radios

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> ----- Original Message -----
> From: TomCat4680
> To: RailScan@yahoogroups.com
> Sent: Sunday, July 21, 2002 1:51 AM
> Subject: [RailScan] addition to post on commercial radios
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Yahoo group: hamrailfans
Date: 2002-07-21 18:00:04 UTC
From: Neil McKie
Topic: 660 Message: 661

I have it on fairly good authority - Union Pacific Railroad is currently installing digital (I think that's what he said) in the greater Portland Oregon area. I happened to visit with the Omaha Nebraska based guy when he looking at ham gear in a Portland store.

Neil McKie - WA6KLA ...

PS: Don't forget to look at http://www.thispagecannotbedisplayed.com ... or http://www.skeeva.com

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662. Re: Michigan in-car scanner law

Yahoo group: hamrailfans
Date: 2002-07-26 18:18:23 UTC
From: Harry Marnell
Topic: 662 Message: 662

I applied for permits (from Calif) and used train-chasing/photography as my "reason" for wanting a scanner in my car... should I ever take it to MI (not very likely) Within a couple short weeks arrived three permits: one for me, one for my wife, and one for my 6-year old son! No letter, no questions, no expiration... just the permits!

Not a lawyer, though I used to watch Perry Mason... it's a very poorly written statute....

for your a) b) c) and d), it doesn't say anything about LISTENING to anybody or even to DRIVING, but merely "who shall equip a vehicle with a radio receiving set that will receive signals sent on frequencies assigned by the federal communications commission of the United States of America for police purposes." By its literal wording, it would seem to include sitting in a car in your driveway with a scanner that's turned off, even.

I also see a "hole" in it in that "unless such vehicle is used OR [my emphasis] owned by a peace officer" which by its grammar would seem to allow you to borrow your cousin Officer Billy-Bob's car and use a scanner in it, or possibly even borrow youy HAM/uncle's car...since their cars would meet the "owned by" criterion.

Re (b) and (d), OTOH, since it says "that will receive," it would likely be held that if the receiver is readily capable (a la ECPA..."capable of being readily programmed") of receiving those freqs it would fall within the law's scope.

You must have calmly and politely smooth-talked your way out of it... had you mouthed off they prob woulda nailed you, since they were so damn interested. I'd cool it around Durand until you get the permit (or a ham license) AND KEEP IT IN THE CAR, like taped right to the scanner.

Have they nothing better to do in Durand? How'd you happen to get stopped/quesioned? Late at nite in an "odd" area??

In California, most coppers couldn't care less about scanners. In the 30+ years I've been scanning, I've been stopped by the police perhaps half a dozen times while I've had a scanner in the car... usually mounted under the dash and plainly visible. Only twice has anything been said... but I imagine they've SEEN the scanner every time. Cops do look around you when they've stopped you. No sense having him hear his own calls coming from out of MY car, so one thing I always do as soon as I see a cop that's maybe gonna pull me over is gently reach down and turn it off... "gently" meaning not making it look like I'm going for a gun under the seat or something.

Once, a L.A. County Sheriff's deputy pulled me over for "coasting through" a stop sign....(I was guilty). As he's talking he asks

"Is that a scanner?" I said yes. "Oh, are you listening to us (LASO)?"

I told him, "No, hardly ever, I mostly listen to LAPD... that busy-tone on your guys' frequencies drives me nuts." He kind of giggled... as he kept on writing. (on L.A. Sheriff you only hear the dispatcher, not the cars... when the cars talk, a "beep" like a busy-signal is transmitted.). That was all that was said, I got a ticket for the stop sign violation and that was that....

The only other time anything was said was when a CHP officer stopped me for speeding and having expired tags (gosh, I can be stupid). As he's looking at my drivers license, he looks in the car and asks "is that a scanner?"

I said, "well actually it's a ham radio (which was true), but it scans too."

Him: "Oh, you an amateur operator?"

"Yes, sir"

Him: "Oh, I am too, KF6NBY." Me: "I'm N6URU"

Him: "I noticed the antenna before I stopped you... what repeaters do you use... blah blah... OK, sign this please.... be careful. Good night"

If I were you I'd be careful about showing up at too many "incidents," whether with a scanner or not... even when you DO get the permit. Michigan, Indiana & Kentucky seem particularly nervous about scanners, for some reason. They're gonna notice you eventually and if you have no REAL business there it kinda makes em nervous.

In California the cops seem to have more important stuff to be concerned about. In what other states do the police generally have a "so what" attitude about scanners... and in what states do they get all sick 'n nervous like Michigan?

Harry
http://www.snowcrest.net/marnells/glossary.htm <~~ ASTRO/Digital/Trunking Glossary of Terms

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From: <tomcatgbmi@...>
To: <csxrailfans@yahoogroups.com>; <c-n-r@yahoogroups.com>; <railscan@yahoogroups.com>
Sent: Thursday, July 25, 2002 18:17
Subject: [RailScan] Michigan in car scanner law

> if theres any lawyers in the group, id like to to review the michigan scanner
> law
>
> http://www.trainwatchers.com/radio/laws.html
>
> and if they want answer these questions:
>
> a. is it legal to listen to railroad freqs in the car while driving?
>
> b. if a if yes, would the police freqs have to be blocked out?

>
> c. if a is no, why not ? the law only states its illegal to listen to police,
> it says nothing about railroads.
>
> d. is it illegal to have the police freqs programmed into the scanner, and
> have the scanner in the car, if its not turned on.
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> i was harrassed by some cops last night about it. iwas driving and listenin
> to the railroad freqs. the police freqs were programmed in but i had them
> locked out, so it wouldnt scan them. he threatened to arrest me if he caught
> me with it again.
>
> they of course knew very little about the law. fortunately, i talked my way
> out of going to jail and got to keep my scanner. i just wanted to be more
> informed in case it happens again.
>
> i am also going to apply for a permit from the state police, but until i have
> it in my hands, i want to know the facts.
>
> please email me all responses.
>
> thanks
> tom
> flint, michigan
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> p.s. the cops both worked for the city of durand p.d., third shift, so be
> careful when driving through town if you have a scanner.
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663. Re: [hamrailfans] In Car Scanner Laws

Yahoo group: hamrailfans
Date: 2002-07-27 02:26:48 UTC
From: Phil Kane
Topic: 663 Message: 663

> Date: Fri, 26 Jul 2002 11:18:23 -0700
> From: "Harry Marnell" <marnells@...>

>In what other states do the police generally have a "so what"
>attitude about scanners... and in what states do they get all sick 'n
>nervous like Michigan?

In Oregon they seem to be fairly tolerant but will come down like
a ton of bricks if they feel that it is being used for an unlawful
purpose (crime lookout, ambulance chasing, stalking, wiretapping,
etc).

If you get hauled before Judge Greg Milnes it's double bad luck, for
in addition to being a semi-retired Circuit Court Judge (trial court
level equivalent to Superior Court in Calif.) he's an avid DXer and
the ARRL's Northwest Division Director.

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73 de K2ASP - Phil Kane

From a Clearing in the Silicon Forest
Beaverton (Washington County) Oregon

664. Fw: [RailScan] Re: Michigan in car scanner law

Yahoo group: hamrailfans
Date: 2002-07-30 17:22:35 UTC
From: Harry Marnell
Topic: 664 Message: 664

Forwarded from the "RailScan" group...

----- Original Message -----
From: "markdobronski" <MarkDobronski@...>
To: <RailScan@yahoogroups.com>
Sent: Tuesday, July 30, 2002 05:26
Subject: [RailScan] Re: Michigan in car scanner law

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> in legal fees... all with no guarantee of success at the end! So,
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Date: 2002-07-30 21:11:02 UTC
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Topic: 664 Message: 665

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666. Michigan Scanner Obstruction

Yahoo group: hamrailfans
Date: 2002-07-31 13:43:07 UTC
From: Phil Kane
Topic: 666 Message: 666

> Date: Tue, 30 Jul 2002 14:11:02 -0700
> From: Neil McKie <n.mckie@...>
> Subject: Re: Fw: [RailScan] Re: Michigan in car scanner law

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>> > violation of the law, and then likely have to spend $25,000 or more
>> > in legal fees... all with no guarantee of success at the end!

I enjoy doing cases like this - points out the technical ignorance of the law-drafters - like shooting fish in a barrel. I practice communications engineering as well as communications law.

>> > the simple answer is GET THE FREE PERMIT and not have to worry!

That's the chicken - but smart - way out at the present time.

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73 de K2ASP - Phil Kane
ARRL Volunteer Counsel

667. This is for you folks in MICHIGAN...

Yahoo group: hamrailfans
Date: 2002-08-10 03:16:37 UTC
From: Ron R - KD5CYW
Topic: 667 Message: 667

This is for you folks in MICHIGAN...
But will this will be as proving your a FCC Licensed Ham?
Most likely it will be.

From the ARRL Newsletter..... www.arrl.org

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MICHIGAN TOWN COULD EASE AMATEUR ANTENNA RESTRICTIONS

ARRL Great Lakes Vice Director Dick Mondro, W8FQT, reports that the City of Troy, Michigan, appears poised to loosen restrictions on Amateur Radio antenna structures. Mondro attended a meeting of the Troy City Council August 5 at which he and five other hams spoke. As a result, city council voted unanimously to send the current ordinance back to the planning commission. Council requested the planning commission rewrite the ordinance to allow a higher minimum antenna support structure without the need for a zoning hearing.

"The mayor was convinced that this was essential due to the services afforded by Amateur Radio operators," Mondro said.

The current ordinance in Troy--at 81,000 inhabitants Michigan's 12th most populous city--only allows an antenna structure 25 feet above grade or 12 feet above the roof, if roof-mounted. Anything higher requires the amateur to demonstrate that the allowed limit would "preclude communications."

Hazel Park Amateur Radio Club President Phil Ode, AA8KR, said he, club members and individual amateurs have been working with city officials over the past few months to gain a more liberal interpretation. He said he's hoping to secure at least a 75-foot minimum for antenna support structures before a zoning hearing is needed.

In his remarks to council, Mondro mentioned the recent federal grant to ARRL that will support emergency communications training and certification. He also explained the ARES and RACES programs and the involvement of amateurs in public service in the community and the state. Mondro said there were no dissenters present. Approximately 60 to 70 amateurs attended the meeting, which lasted until midnight.

"Another victory for Amateur Radio in Michigan!" Mondro declared.

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Still in the works, but good news indeed. And also will do good for "other" bands to scan too... at 75' does wonders compared to 25'.
Just have to work on all the states with the PBR-1.

73's with the Highball,
Ron Roman, KD5CYW
Altus, Oklahoma

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668. Hello everyone

Yahoo group: hamrailfans
Date: 2002-08-25 04:30:09 UTC
From: Kristopher Arens
Topic: 668 Message: 668

Hi, I'm Kris, KC7VWQ, and I live in Springfield, Oregon. Around here, I follow the Union Pacific's Brooklyn Subdivision, BNSF's Oregon Electric Subdivision, and the Central Oregon & Pacific. Just thought I'd make a short hello...

Kris

Send and receive Hotmail on your mobile device: http://mobile.msn.com

669. Re: [hamrailfans] Hello everyone

Yahoo group: hamrailfans
Date: 2002-08-27 15:27:12 UTC
From: Karina Rossi
Topic: 668 Message: 669

Hello Kris,

Thanks for the message. I am not sure how to respond to messages in a group so sorry for any duplicates. Family and I rode the Amtrak from Salt Lake City to Portland years ago. I really appreciate your country after living in the desert here in Las Vegas.

Name is Bruce, AL7LS in south east Las Vegas, NV. If you have HF packet please give me a connect on 14.105 MHZ lsb (al7ls). You can port to 145.01 MHZ fm to cover the Las Vegas digiing to Saint George, Utah area on VHF packet side.

My home and station are adjacent to, with the back yard against the Union Pacific Arden to Henderson line. See many old SD45T locomotives daily. Sometimes on Sunday mornings, Union Pacific runs a special train with observation dome cars full of people a few times back and forth in the morning between Henderson and the main line. All very interesting.

73s for now. Bruce AL7LS
http://www.geocities.com/al7ls

>From: "Kristopher Arens" <sirk_snera@...>
>Reply-To: hamrailfans@yahoogroups.com
>To: hamrailfans@yahoogroups.com
>Subject: [hamrailfans] Hello everyone
>Date: Sat, 24 Aug 2002 21:30:09 -0700
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>Hi, I'm Kris, KC7VWQ, and I live in Springfield, Oregon. Around here, I
>follow the Union Pacific's Brooklyn Subdivision, BNSF's Oregon Electric
>Subdivision, and the Central Oregon & Pacific. Just thought I'd make a
>short
>hello...
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>Kris
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>_____
>Send and receive Hotmail on your mobile device: http://mobile.msn.com
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>Your use of Yahoo! Groups is subject to http://docs.yahoo.com/info/terms/

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Send and receive Hotmail on your mobile device: http://mobile.msn.com

670. Slightly off topic but ...

Yahoo group: hamrailfans
Date: 2002-08-29 05:57:39 UTC
From: Neil McKie
Topic: 670 Message: 670

Hello all,

I live in the Central, Oregon area near the city of Bend. Each year in Bend, there is an annual musical event known as the Cascade Festival of Music. This evening was one of the concerts ...

After the intermission, the orchestra started into the Tchaikovsky Symphony No. 1 - Winter Daydreams ...

Part way into the second movement - a very quiet passage ... enter Burlington Northern Sante Fe, a freight train. The orchestra conductor, after trying to compete with the BNSF train at a grade crossing and noticing he was losing, stopped the orchestra much to the amusement of the audience.

After a couple of comments to the audience, the maestro restarted the music - about 5 seconds later, another grade crossing. This time, he waited for the third grade crossing ... then restarted the music.

The rest of the evening went smoothly including someone with a loud stereo in his car, a passing motorcyclist ... and a passing single engine airplane.

Fun evening,

Neil McKie - WA6KLA ...

671. OT: USING THE "F" WORD

Yahoo group: hamrailfans
Date: 2002-09-20 20:48:48 UTC
From: Smokey Behr
Topic: 671 Message: 671

A bit of levity to break up the monotony!

TOP TEN TIMES IN HISTORY, WHEN USING THE "F" WORD WAS APPROPRIATE

10th - "Scattered @#$%ing showers, my ass!" - Noah, 4314 BC

9th - "How the @#$% did you work that out?" - Pythagoras, 126 BC

8th -"You want WHAT on the @#$%ing ceiling?" - Michelangelo, 1566

7th - "Where did all those @#$%ing Indians come from?" - Custer, 1876)

6th - "It does so @#$%ing look like her!" - Picasso, 1926

5th -"Where the @#$% are we?" - Amelia Earhart, 1937

4th - "Any @#$%ing idiot could understand that." - Einstein, 1938

3rd - "What the @#$% was that?" - Mayor Of Hiroshima, 1945

2nd - "I need this parade like I need a @#$%ing hole in the head."
- JFK, 1963

And, the Number 1 most appropriate time for using the "F" word...

"Aw c'mon. Who the @#$% is going to find out?"- Bill Clinton, 1997

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672. Isidore, other info source...

Yahoo group: hamrailfans
Date: 2002-09-26 04:03:28 UTC
From: Ron R - KD5CYW
Topic: 672 Message: 672

Hey, in addition to Mike P's post about trains 1 & 2, 19 & 20, and 58 & 59... or how to be stuck in the Trans World of going Nowhere Fast.

If you have Short Wave Radio that you can tune into Ham HF freq's....
Here is something for you to listen too.
(Should be AM Phone, Upper (USB) or Lower (LSB) in side band mode)

------- Forwarded Message Follows -------
Subject: ARLB057 FCC expands Gulf Coast communications emergency
Date sent: Wed, 25 Sep 2002 18:18:39 -0400
To: rroman@...
Copies to: Subscribed ARRL Members: ;
From: "ARRL Web site" <memberlist@...>

SB QST @ ARL $ARLB057
ARLB057 FCC expands Gulf Coast communications emergency

ZCZC AG57
QST de W1AW
ARRL Bulletin 57 ARLB057
>From ARRL Headquarters
Newington CT September 25, 2002
To all radio amateurs

SB QST ARL ARLB057
ARLB057 FCC expands Gulf Coast communications emergency

The FCC has expanded a general communications emergency to include Texas, Louisiana, Mississippi, Alabama and Florida, which are threatened by Tropical Storm Isidore. Invoking Section 97.401, the FCC issued a revised declaration that requires amateurs to refrain from using 3873 and 3965 kHz during hours of darkness and 7247 and 7285 kHz during hours of daylight.

All frequencies are to be protected plus or minus 3 kHz unless amateurs are taking part in the handling of emergency traffic. The FCC said the communications emergency is effective immediately and will remain in place until rescinded. The declaration could be in place for as long as 14 days, the FCC said.

Mississippi Section Manager Malcolm Keown, W5XX, and Alabama SM Bill Cleveland, KR4TZ, requested that the FCC protect the net frequencies from interference in the event severe weather strikes.

After passing over the western tip of Cuba and the Yucatan Peninsula of Mexico, Isidore--now a tropical storm--is headed for the US Gulf Coast.

For additional information, see ''Hurricane Watch Net, W4EHW, Reactivating''
http://www.arrl.org/news/stories/2002/09/25/1/ .
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I send this because of my fellow Railspotters, and other Railhams who it may help or be a help in this time of the big winds.

Oh to keep this in the railroad spectrum,
BNSF is in town now.
WT&J repeater was in full swing from 6-7pm (switching in Wic Falls, TX).
Farmrail was in town today doing something, about 2 hrs of radio chatter.
H&E been doing good, but the trucks are becoming more evident hauling drywall.

Other RR news from here.... radio wise....
I been getting UPRR from the FTW-El Paso line some where south of me.... I think Brazos area... heard some names called out, but fuzzy RECV on the radio. I think it is also due to reflection from Isidore's front side last two hours. I raised my radio tower up (Got a old section for free that the fella was going to scrap, with the center section and a HD telescoping pole mast), went from 34' Ant tip to 46', and will do some work this weekend to drill the lower mast to "Pin" it with a bolt and nut so it will be 52-54' up to the tip (Well that will be due to that's as much coax I have to allow, and the wife was not happy I drilled thru the inside wall to run the coax), and add my Gound Plane radials... even been getting better radio stations in on the Ham side with the 46' mark now (this should help much more.). I also have noticed better RECV on the Wic Falls to FTW and the Estaline to Amarillo on the Sub Red River Sub, UPRR OKT/Duncan Sub, and a few others too. I will redo my radio (Icom IC-2100H) programming to the major Rail channels and when in scan I will chart it for QSL info.

Be safe all,

73's with the Highball,
Ron Roman, KD5CYW
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673. Uniden 250D is ACCEPTED by the FCC

Yahoo group: hamrailfans
Date: 2002-10-01 01:49:19 UTC
From: Harry Marnell
Topic: 673 Message: 673

Check it out, links, pics AND MANUAL at
http://www.snowcrest.net/marnells/digital-scanner.htm

[Non-text portions of this message have been removed]

674. FWD: LA Union Station - Amtrak trains bump

Yahoo group: hamrailfans
Date: 2002-10-21 23:46:25 UTC
From: Smokey Behr
Topic: 674 Message: 674

On Mon, 21 Oct 2002 15:07:32 -0700, "Karl Dahlquist"
<karldahlquist@vistagroupusa.com> wrote:

Minor injuries after Amtrak trains bump at LA's Union Station

The Associated Press

A pair of Amtrak trains nudged one another Monday at Union Station
downtown, causing five minor injuries, rescue officials said.

The incident occurred at about 1:30 p.m., said city Fire Department
spokesman Jim Wells. Two people with minor injuries were taken by
ambulance to a local hospital, three others were treated by paramedics
at the scene and released, he said.

"It may have been a rough bump that caused these injuries to these
people," Wells said. "There is no indication that these trains are off
the tracks."

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675. A sort of Rail / Ham issue....

Yahoo group: hamrailfans
Date: 2002-10-26 14:12:56 UTC
From: Ron R - KD5CYW
Topic: 675 Message: 675

From the ARRL E-Newsletter.....

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* Former ARRL West Gulf Director Grady Payne, W5ETA, SK: Grady A. Payne, W5ETA, of Cleveland, Texas, died October 6. He was 90. Payne served as ARRL West Gulf Division Director from 1957 until 1961. Licensed in 1934, Payne was a member of the ARRL and the Quarter Century Wireless Association (QCWA) as well as a founding member of the Sam Houston Amateur Radio Klub. He was active in public service. Early in his career, Payne worked as a railroad dispatcher and telegraph operator in his home town of N Zulch, Texas. Later, he was employed by the Humble Pipe Line, and, following his retirement, he opened his own business repairing meters for Humble. Survivors include his daughter, Sherry Taack, KC5VWJ. The family invites memorial donations to the American Diabetes Association, Memorial and Honor Program, PO Box 2680, N Canton, OH 44720.--ARRL thanks Sam Neal, N5AF, and The Cleveland Advocate for this information
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73's
Ron Roman, KD5CYW
Altus, OK

676. Rail Security

Yahoo group: hamrailfans
Date: 2002-10-27 18:27:28 UTC
From: Carol Larsen
Topic: 676 Message: 676

Many of you probably received the e-mail from trains.com that included reference to "FBI issues warning about possible terror atttack on railroads." http://list.trains.com/UM/T.ASP?A11.53.108.10.84974

Someone I know who works for a railroad asked me to contact as many people as I could who might observe activity at railroad bridges, tracks, and other rail facilities. If you observe any possibly suspicious activity in these areas, it's important to report that immediately to a law enforcement agency.

Any help will be appreciated in keeping our railroads safe.

73,
Carol Larsen
KA9HFA

677. CONTINUOUS CARNAGE DEPARTMENT: Madera, CA

Yahoo group: hamrailfans
Date: 2002-10-30 23:13:47 UTC
From: Smokey Behr
Topic: 677 Message: 677

Just moments ago, a pickup was hit by a BNSF freight on the Stockton Sub at the Grade Crossing where the tracks cross Ave 27. Units on scene reported the truck was completely demolished, and the driver was dead at the scene.

More details as they become available.

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678. The Oklahoman Limited.... a Rare Mileage trip

Yahoo group: hamrailfans
Date: 2002-11-02 00:02:36 UTC
From: Ron R - KD5CYW
Topic: 678 Message: 678

Howdy all,

The Oklahoman Limited.... a Rare Mileage trip from
www.southernappalachia.railway.museum

Report on Rail, Radio and the Rainy Weather.....

---------- Day 1---------- 31 Oct ----------

Reporting from the Rare Mileage of the home town... Altus, Report 1 of 2

Southern Appalachia RR Museum's Rare Mileage tour....

Hey everything is going rather smooth for day #1.

Train Departed Wic Falls, time unknown and entered Altus around 315-330
pm while I was working up a sweat today on the flight line, a very busy day.

WT&J Power was not know, I think 4454, and 4443.
They cut power, and Farmrail hooked up with the pull to Duke.
Danny from H&E was in the Farmrail unit as a Pilot.
The rest of H&E, Farmrail, WT&J folks (To pickup the WT&J VIP's onboard)
were up at Duke RT62 crossing... with myself and just a few
area railfans.
Also a Reporter from Lawton paper was there too, I was in
Victory, OK when he came by, waiting on the train we had a good convo, he
snapped a pix of me video'g the train, I was aware till I saw the
flash.... hummmm, maybe I might be in the paper.

Train Consist as follows from Altus, OK to Duke.
Farmrail Power
3648 GP-9E "Cherokee",
4079 GP-20E "Cheyenne",
Farmrail Pass Cars....
5478 (ex-Via)
5627 (Ex-Via),
PVT Pass Cars...
Cimarron River 800069 - PPCX, had a Number 1466 in end window.
Caritas 800045

They went to the plant and dropped off the first set of folks, just like
any thing in a small town, you have small busses, or like the down load
today.... a 15 pax van, a caravan, and a pickup for the luggage from the
hotel. They did this after brief stop to water up, but with the small hose
to the plant they went. They unload the folks, and went back down to the
mini yard to finish watering up. I met Bart and his wife, had a small talk
as they/them/we/us got the train tied down right there East of the plant,

that will give the PVT Car folks some quiteness, the plant was in full swing (tell you more at the end on that.). Well Bart did take me on a tour of Farmrails cars, nicely done, real nice and Farmrail did a great job to see they look like something that folks will be comfy in riding. It was nice to met Bart, and put a face to the RS list.... Keep Smiling bud, you got it down to a tee, or is it you wish you were teeing off about then for stress relief. Well with everything serviced and tied down I left around 730 pm, back at home 20 mins later.

Well still off Friday, and I will help get the train watered up to top it off for the next leg in Duke around 7am, and monitor it from Duke to Altus to Lone Wolf, and then I'll have to head back to Altus. Well I guess once in Aircraft Maint, always in the help out best you can, and get them in the air... only this time, get them rolling down the rail.

So far it looks like..... the sched is....
Dp Duke 800am
Ar Altus 915-930am (Load passengers that did not load on early in Duke.)
Dp Altus 945am or so, WX will have a factor in it. Head to Clinton.

RR channels
WT&J - 161.265 (Repeater 160.275 located in Grandfield),
Yes worked great today! with the cloud cover, came in load and clear.
H&E - 153.110
H&E not using engine or radio..... all on Farmrail 161.520 from here on out.
Farmrail - 161.520
The Hot channel.

OK from the news I got, H&E should be doing much better, they got a deal with a place in PA for about 50 cars a month, so we should see about 2-3 more cars per day for that.... they will get to use that horse power that they need before the old CF-7 gave out. They are happy about that.

Well I'm going to eat some supper, and go to bed, I'll be up early to get day two off and going..... Report will follow.

Oh yes, the brakes I replaced yesterday are working fine, no more wild banshee sounds, and stops on a dime, not grinding one blank off the rotor for the mint.

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---------- Day 2 ---------- 1 Nov ----------

Here is the the report from Duke to Altus to Lone Wolf.

Well I arrived at Duke around 645am, after a good nights sleep, also waiting were some folks to be loaded up at Duke for that days trip. Bart and Sara Jennings arrived around 7am or so to open up and turn on power to the Pass cars and to see all was ready to go. I helped Bart a little here and there, to make sure everything was good to go. We had a bus load of kids from Mangum Schools ride from Duke to Lone Wolf, they were excited about it, and by the looks on their faces at Lone Wolf they enjoyed it.
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Also some riders the overnighters in Altus boarded too and they were ready to depart shortly afterwards.

Sara followed in the truck they have brought with them, and I had helped out to let her know some good picture sites along the right of way and other area info on roads and stuff, we had a great time on the local guide/spot/info network. I bought some T-shirts with a nice map of the trip outlined, and the RR's named as well, before the flood of people started.

Train Consist as follows from Duke to Clinton.
Farmrail Power
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5478 (ex-Via)

With the train underway from Duke 1 min early DP 759am. (Times are from memory, so Bart does have all the real logged in times)

Arv Altus 915-930-isham about, stopped on the Market Road grade crossing for boarding of Passengers from the Hotels that decided to sleep in a bit, it worked out great. Some folks at the crossing was wondering what was going on, but with train and passengers they figured it out in a moments guess. Backed up to clear the crossing for the second load of Passengers to arrive. At that time I met up with Mike Harris (KK5OL, and aka Railnet 802), we talked on the Radio a bit, more to come later on the Hamradio deal, and he found me in a very short time, we leap frogged areas and was in radio contact on 146.490, the RailHam simplex, it worked out great. Prior to the train coming there was a set of Passengers, a nice man and his wife from Minneapolis, MN who was dropped off by the taxi (he a hat on saying Fred something 1993 trip) it was cold, so I opened the car up, we sat in and the Temp Mobile Market St Station with "Heat" was a warm welcome to them, and we had a good 10 min chat before the train arrived.

The train then Departed Altus at around 10 am due to minor rain delay, for safety of course. It went up the H&E north leg of the wye, backed down crossed over to Farmrail main, went North around 1010 or so and out of Altus around 1015am. I assisted in flagging the crossings at Bradford Rd, Tamarack Rd, then to the "Martha" Rd, and W. Main St in Blair. Several locations did I stop along the way from Blair to Lugert Cut. The old/new Rt 283 intersection with the new railway crossing on RT 283. Next was the old Rt 283/44/6 Junction, and on RT 44 on the Bridge for the long trestle shot. We also stopped up at the top of the 44 Curve, and went on top of the rocks looking Down in to the South End into the Cut, nice shots indeed, Sara had a "this is a-ok" look after when she clicked away.

Well first stop for Run-by was at North End of Lugert Cut (Preston George made this famous with his photo's), this was to be two run-by's Train backed up and did the run, but turned out to be only one, the rain started and that was that... loaded up and went on to Lone Wolf. Funny thing was that the Folks that were on the rocks taking picture for the run-by were calling each other Mountain Goats, then one came out and said we are Mountain Goat Photographers. I took video at some spots only to document the Jackson County area, with these MGP's but Mike was the real MGP.

This is where the Hamradio between Mike and I worked out. During the Run-by Mike was up on the short rocks opposite of the "Curve" from the Cut to the Lugert Silo. I was listening in to the train, and let him know the plan, when it changed, he knew too... he got some good shots of the Curve at that height. We talked about locations and where the train was at, and it worked out. I shot the Curve looking to the cut, ,but I wish the lake was filled up, it was more like dessert of sand, very little water. After the curve we talked at the Lugert Silo, as we departed each others company, (He had to go to Clinton to get his wife and go and take her out to eat.) we were still in radio contact on simplex, then to the 146.790 repeater after he left Lone Wolf, and I stopped for a break to wait for the train. Mike is riding tomorrow with his wife from Clinton to Enid. (Also a request from Mike, can someone Post this to TrainOrders list, Asap for the update.)

Well departed the Silo and went up to Lone Wolf, with a surprise, the School bus for the Mangum kids, they thought they would unload at Quartz Mtn Rt 44A entry, but it was Lone Wolf. I had the Farmrail truck call the train and let them know the bus was in Lone Wolf, some very happy train crew and kids. They Ar at 1215, Dp 1220.... Onward to Clinton, OK. Well now, I'm done for this reports on the train.... any others would be nice to continue on, or we will read about it later on afterwards.

In reguards to the trip, planning, following the train (As I told Sara, Many hats of Railfan, Hamradio, County Emerg Ops, and a few others), it was fun, and hope they have a great rest of the trip, Bart has done great to get this on, and one day if he runs one near here, I will be on it, I just hope the WX is better. My Hats off to Bart and Sara, and the SARM for an outstanding day, I enjoyed it.

Also, Bart told me there was 2 seats left for the trip. It was to be a 130 seat train, but they had redesigned it and gave only 104 seats, so 102 sold... any takers first come first serve Sat Am at Clinton. If you would like to Order a Tshirt, go to SARM website, www.southernappalachia.railway.museum (Sara let me know that this will be added on after the event when the website can be updated for the trip info/pixs/and other items relating to it, in the post reports.)

Be safe, Enjoy, and Relax,

73's with the Highball,
Ron Roman, KD5CYW
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679. Fred Harvey Picture Archive

Yahoo group: hamrailfans
Date: 2002-11-04 14:58:35 UTC
From: Smokey Behr
Topic: 679 Message: 679

http://digital.library.arizona.edu/harvey/finding_aid/3cal/welcome.html

I've been looking through this archive, and it has a lot of good shots
of the old Harvey Houses along the ATSF lines. If you're modeling, you
can get an idea of the layout and design of the structures
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680. My first long distance Amtrak trip

Yahoo group: hamrailfans
Date: 2002-11-10 20:38:44 UTC
From: Smokey Behr
Topic: 680 Message: 680

I'm an old hat at taking short trips up and down the valley on the San Joaquins, but what should I expect on one of the long distance trains? I'm going to be taking the Sunset Limited from LAUS to NOLA/PNS, and I have a few questions:

I'm going coach, so I know I'm going to be sleeping in an airline-type seat. Do they have blankets and pillows, or should I bring my own?

Do I need to grab a table seat so I have a place to plug in my laptop, or are there outlets at the regular seats?

How about "freshening up"? Are there showers for coach pax to use? Can the sleeper attendants be bribed if not?

Can I bring a soft-sided cooler with a few cold drinks and sandwiches, or will the conductors pitch a fit?

Does someone have a frequency list for the trip, or at least enough parts that I can piece everything together, or is it going to be easier to block scan the AAR channels?

Any other suggestions that will make the trip more enjoyable?

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John "Smokey Behr" Gleichweit FF1/EMT
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Incident Paging Network California Chapter Admin.
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681. Re: Showers etc on Amtrak train...

Yahoo group: hamrailfans
Date: 2002-11-10 23:21:48 UTC
From: Pacific Electric
Topic: 681 Message: 681

For cleaning up, don't count on being able to use the showers. I've ONCE been able to do it, but I think they're pretty tight about it nowadays. restrooms are really tight, however I've found that it's a LOT easier to do a "sponge bath" in one of the handicap-accessible restrooms. They're extremely roomy, and have several poles and rods on the walls on which to hang your towel & clothes while you change, etc. Just try to do it in an off hour (late night?) so you're not as likely to deprive a handicapped person of its use.

Seats are plenty comfy, but bring your own small blanket or extra jacket and/or something to use for a pillow. Amtrak's pillow-ettes are pretty useless... if you even get one.

Except when you're nearing your destination, take off your watch and hide it somewhere. If you're gonna be late there's not a darn thing you can do about it, so in the meantime just forget about time and enjoy the scenery and camaraderie. You'll be there when you get there. Besides, as railfans know, a late train give you more train-riding hours for your money! You'll likely spend a lot of time in the "sightseer lounge" car, striking up acquaintances, just watching the desert (and thunderstorms?) pass you by, etc. There are a few electrical outlets there too.

Eastbound you'll have two time changes FORWARD... so the trip is technically two hours shorter than the "times" would indicate. Returning west, however, you'll have two time changes backward... which can kinda make the days seem a bit long. Take little catnaps whenever you feel like it... it'll make it easier if you've had trouble getting in your full night's sleep in the coach seat. Though I personally can snore in coach just fine.

You can bring your own food on board (except NO alcohol), though a cooler would probably will count toward your "carry-on" allowance, whatever it is these days. If the train's not too full it may not be an issue. I'd save the trouble and just allow an extra ten or twenty bucks and buy from the snack bar. Of course you're required by law to get a French Dip sandwich at Philippe's on Alameda street < http://www.philippes.com/restaurant/ > before boarding any train out of L.A.U.P.T. At least I am.

Oh, as my mom told me 30 years ago... don't take any BANANAS on the train... they smell up the entire car for hours.

harry marnell
(thinking of more bright ideas...)

----- Original Message -----
From: "Smokey Behr" <smokeybehr@...>
To: <All_Aboard@yahoogroups.com>; <amtrak@yahoogroups.com>; <calrailfans@yahoogroups.com>; <RailScan@yahoogroups.com>; <hamrailfans@yahoogroups.com>

Sent: Sunday, November 10, 2002 12:38
Subject: [Amtrak] My first long distance Amtrak trip

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> Joaquins, but what should I expect on one of the long distance trains?
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> Do I need to grab a table seat so I have a place to plug in my laptop,
> or are there outlets at the regular seats?
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> How about "freshening up"? Are there showers for coach pax to use? Can
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> Can I bring a soft-sided cooler with a few cold drinks and sandwiches,
> or will the conductors pitch a fit?
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> Any other suggestions that will make the trip more enjoyable?
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682. Re: [Calrailfans] My first long distance Amtrak trip

Yahoo group: hamrailfans
Date: 2002-11-10 23:57:55 UTC
From: David Epling
Topic: 682 Message: 682

<<<I'm going coach, so I know I'm going to be sleeping in an airline-type
seat. Do they have blankets and pillows, or should I bring my own?>>>

Bring your Own

<<<Do I need to grab a table seat so I have a place to plug in my laptop,
or are there outlets at the regular seats?>>>

Table seats are only downstairs, there are plugs for them and some of them have jacks for modems.

<<<How about "freshening up"? Are there showers for coach pax to use? Can
the sleeper attendants be bribed if not?>>>

No, best you can do is your combat helmet in the bathroom and soap and watert

<<<Can I bring a soft-sided cooler with a few cold drinks and sandwiches,
or will the conductors pitch a fit?>>>

Depends on the conductor, ordinarily, the quick answer is yes. Amtrak Diner meals will cost you anywhere from 11.00-25.00 the Sightseer/Lounge car has sandwhiches that are a litte cheaper.

<<<Does someone have a frequency list for the trip, or at least enough
parts that I can piece everything together, or is it going to be
easier to block scan the AAR channels?>>>

I don't.sawwy

<<<Any other suggestions that will make the trip more enjoyable?>>>

Inflatable date??

[Non-text portions of this message have been removed]

683. Re: [hamrailfans] My first long distance Amtrak trip

Yahoo group: hamrailfans
Date: 2002-11-11 03:11:31 UTC
From: Jim Ley
Topic: 680 Message: 683

Smokey,

My last long train ride was on 1 & 2 for part of it so I'll try to fill you in...
First, if you have the Altamont California and Southwest timetables, take them along. I went Pullman, but I've spent time on Superliner coaches in the past and I practially lived in the lounge car when I wasn't kicking back in my room.
See below:

Smokey Behr wrote:
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> I'm going coach, so I know I'm going to be sleeping in an airline-type
> seat. Do they have blankets and pillows, or should I bring my own?
>
The car attendant has them if you ask.

> Do I need to grab a table seat so I have a place to plug in my laptop,
> or are there outlets at the regular seats?

No table seats. Coach style seating only. There's a very few 120 VAC outlets in the lounge and coaches for the car cleaners. You have to look for them and hope someone didn't beat you to one.

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> How about "freshening up"? Are there showers for coach pax to use? Can
> the sleeper attendants be bribed if not?

No. Wouldn't hurt to ask...
>
> Can I bring a soft-sided cooler with a few cold drinks and sandwiches,
> or will the conductors pitch a fit?

No sweat about ice chests. Keep the brewski's out of sight. A can cooler works well, or a covered insulated cup. I've even gone into the lounge car with a covered cup full of Rainier's finest and nobody said a word.

>
> Does someone have a frequency list for the trip, or at least enough
> parts that I can piece everything together, or is it going to be
> easier to block scan the AAR channels?

See above re: Altamont TT's. If yer too cheap to buy one, let me
know. I'll look them up for you and post them here.
>
> Any other suggestions that will make the trip more enjoyable?

If you smoke, yer screwed! I made friends with most of the conductors
(one was a PRICK!) and was able to get off at short stops for a quicky.
STAY BY THE DOOR!
One trick we did on the way to Tucson last winter. #11 was REAL late,
so we hopped off at Martinez, grabbed a San Joaquian, (our tickets were
honored) BS'd with the bus driver on the way over the hill, ended up in
La La Land early, grabbed a couple of MAGNIFICENT French dips at
Phillipe's, had time to check out the cool depot and got on #2. I
suggested this move to some folks we had breakfast with. They wanted to
stay on the train to see the coast. Later that day, they were bussed
from SLO to Palm Springs, where they waited until 0400 for the train we
were on. Were those people PISSED the next time I saw them. They got
SCREWED! HAR!

Jim Ley
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them they are being attacked, and denounce the pacifists for
lack of patriotism and exposing the country to danger."
Hermann Goering

684. Re: [Calrailfans] My first long distance Amtrak trip

Yahoo group: hamrailfans
Date: 2002-11-11 08:23:09 UTC
From: Smokey Behr
Topic: 682 Message: 684

><<<Any other suggestions that will make the trip more enjoyable?>>>
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>Inflatable date??

You're starting to sound like Frevele... I'm heading East to get
plenty of the real thing.

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685. Re: [hamrailfans] My first long distance Amtrak trip

Yahoo group: hamrailfans
Date: 2002-11-11 08:26:01 UTC
From: Smokey Behr
Topic: 680 Message: 685

On Sun, 10 Nov 2002 19:11:31 -0800, Jim Ley <jimley@...> wrote:

>I've even gone into the
>lounge car with a covered cup full of Rainier's finest and nobody said a
>word.

Rainer Ale? I hear that's one step below horse pi**... I haven't been
stupid enough to try it... Now some of the craft/micro brews out of
the PNW rock...

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686. Re: [hamrailfans] My first long distance Amtrak trip

Yahoo group: hamrailfans
Date: 2002-11-11 08:28:30 UTC
From: Smokey Behr
Topic: 680 Message: 686

On Sun, 10 Nov 2002 19:11:31 -0800, Jim Ley <jimley@...> wrote:

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>> parts that I can piece everything together, or is it going to be
>> easier to block scan the AAR channels?
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>know. I'll look them up for you and post them here.

I've got the Cal Altamont #12, but if someone has a copy/scan/PDF of
the Southwest and Texas Altamonts for the trackage, and some sort of
Southeast TT that they could email me/point me to, I'd appreciate it.

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687. Re: [hamrailfans] My first long distance Amtrak trip

Yahoo group: hamrailfans
Date: 2002-11-11 08:41:37 UTC
From: Jim Ley
Topic: 680 Message: 687

Smokey,

Well, you heard wrong. It's actually TWO steps below horse p***.
Anyway, that's in the past. Henry Weinhards Root Beer is even legal on
the head end, having had a few on the engine more than once...
There's some avfully nice microbrews around the Seattle area, one of
the best being the Pike Brewery. next to the Pike Place Market.
One night I was sitting in an Amtrak lounge car with a "covered cup"
and a group a few seats down were hoorahing a little and passing around
a bottle of Jack. The conductor came along and confiscated the Jack
(for after he tied up, I guess) and didn't even give me a second look.
After he left, I looked at them, took a big swig and suggested that they
might want to invest in one of these if they wanted to drink their own,
affordable booze on the train. Oh, well... $4.50 for a can of Bud
really IS taking advantage.

Jim Ley

Smokey Behr wrote:
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688. Re: [hamrailfans] Digest Number 332

Yahoo group: hamrailfans
Date: 2002-11-11 17:06:59 UTC
From: Ron R - KD5CYW
Topic: 688 Message: 688

John,
You can goto the Railspot Website...

www.railspot.com

link for the RR Freq page... a big file.

http://rrfreq.railspot.com/RRFREQ.HTM

73's
Ron Roman, KD5CYW
Altus, OK

689. Re: Railfans ID

Yahoo group: hamrailfans
Date: 2002-11-16 01:02:14 UTC
From: Phil Kane
Topic: 689 Message: 689

On Fri, 15 Nov 2002 12:20:13 -0800, Sunrise Enterprises wrote:

>It might be a good idea if we ask DMV if our drivers license can be
>registered and shown as "RAILFAN". This might catch the eye of the
>Officer who's never heard the term. It's hard to believe that anyone of
>these Officers has never heard this term in one of their daily
>briefings.

Right next to my driver license is an Oregon State Police ID card
identifying me as an emergency service worker (a volunteer in the
Amateur Radio Emergency Service / Radio Amateur Civil Emergency
Service). I've been trying to get my assigmnent changed from the
local hospital to the local railyard, but to no avail.

That has always worked as an "official OK guy" ID, as has my
credentials as a retired Federal agent.

Whatever works for each of us .....

Phil Kane - K2ASP -- Beaverton, Oregon
PNW Milepost 754 -- Tillamook District

690. Re: [hamrailfans] Re: Railfans ID

Yahoo group: hamrailfans
Date: 2002-11-17 03:11:20 UTC
From: Wil Brubaker
Topic: 689 Message: 690

Phil Kane said:

It might be a good idea if we ask DMV if our drivers license can be registered and shown as "RAILFAN."
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and I think that's the root of a good idea. What agencies might be willing to issue those of us who aren't "volunteers," in the same sense as Phil, some similar king of ID is another story. I'm lurking watching this thinking come up with a good idea.

691. Union Pacific Plans to Throw Switch to Digital

Yahoo group: hamrailfans
Date: 2002-11-21 08:59:08 UTC
From: Harry Marnell
Topic: 691 Message: 691

Kinda old article, but may be new to many...

From: http://www.motorola.com/LMPS/RNSG/exchange/jan96/#65

Union Pacific Plans to Throw Switch to Digital

Union Pacific Railroad owns and operates a conventional radio system that covers the 25 western states of the U.S. This high-tech rail carrier utilizes not only two-way radio, but also wireless data and 9,000 miles of fiber optic cables to support its highly sophisticated operations.

From the railroad's centralized dispatch center for train operations, between 700 and 800 trains are dispatched daily to points throughout the western half of the U.S. Its conventional radio system has expanded steadily over the years to more than 3,700 base stations, 17,000 portable radios, 4,3000 locomotive radios and several thousand mobile radios.

Now, Union Pacific is preparing to take a major step forward with plans to ultimately migrate the majority of its system from analog to digital technology. The new system will be based on the APCO Project 25 digital standard and will primarily operate as a conventional system with trunking utilized in some high congestion areas.

The company expects the migration process to take five to seven years before a significant portion of the railroad would be converted to the new digital system. Ed Kemp, General Director for Information Technologies at Union Pacific, spelled out the company's migration plan.

"We will implement the new digital style base station that is capable of receiving the analog signal and install the new base stations in our major hubs and locations," Kemp says. "The point is to operate in the analog mode until we have enough disbursement of the new type of portables and mobiles out there where they can operate 100 percent digital, at which time we would turn that site over to a digital format."

The first areas to be migrated would be the beginning and end points of the rail lines, which typically are located in busier urban areas. However, the low usage stretches in between the major terminals will remain analog until there is a need for a digital system.

"That's the advantage of a conventional system. We can communicate over both analog and digital systems to provide the most cost-effective solution to our business," says Kemp.

The data capabilities of the new digital system should help convince the company to allocate the capital necessary to fund the system. Kemp points out that data will provide vital information to improve the safety and operating efficiency of

the railroad.

Union Pacific has some 4,000 locomotives in service, each one valued at an average of about $1.5 - 2 million. That adds up to over $6 billion in assets that are moving around the U.S. at any given time, which makes asset utilization especially important. Data offers the opportunity to ultimately provide a wide range of information about the current condition of each locomotive and send that information directly back to the central database.

Fuel monitoring is also a critical issue for the railroad since it spends about $1 million a day on diesel fuel. The objective is to improve the entire fuel management process and take advantage of lower fuel purchase prices and storage costs. With new devices to monitor the fuel levels at different stops, the data system eventually can be used to help schedule refueling stops more efficiently.

"I'm confident that once the operating department sees what we can do, money will be allocated so we can start implementing base stations even in outlying areas where spectrum efficiency really isn't an issue," says Kemp.

Benefits of APCO Project 25 as Possible Industry Standard

One reason Kemp is anticipating the migration process is that APCO's Project 25 is setting a uniform standard for digital two-way radio. Although Project 25 is largely a public safety initiative, Union Pacific and other railroads have been actively involved in the process. Kemp is optimistic that railroad companies will soon vote to adopt Project 25 as the industry standard for voice and data.

"The needs for public safety and the railroads are very similar," Kemp says. "The railroad industry has the largest private police force in the country, Railroads do a tremendous amount of work with state and federal law enforcement organizations."

Key issues, such as multiple sourcing and interoperability, affect railroads as much as they affect public safety agencies. After all, a train that travels across country could use tracks belonging to several different railroads. Until Project 25, Kemp says, interoperability in the railroad industry has unfortunately created a "lowest common denominator" form of communications.

"We still use carrier squelch, for example," he says. "So it was a perfect match to be aligned with this new set of standards and the FCC requirements for narrowband (12.5 kHz) operation."

Not surprisingly, Kemp stresses that Union Pacific's planned digital system will be Project 25 compliant. He's also anticipating the many new benefits of digital technology, such as consistent audio quality, integrated voice and data, embedded signaling for unit ID, enhanced encryption, data port and more.

Conventional Radio Remains Ideal for Railroads

Kemp emphasizes that conventional two-way radio technology always has been and always will be vital to Union Pacific's communications. A good example of how Union Pacific employs conventional technology can be found in its yard operations.

"For us, it lets the ground person talk to the engineer directly without needing an infrastructure, without needing even a repeater, so he or she can help that engineer shove a boxcar into a siding and tell the engineer when to stop," Kemp says. "The simple fact of having conventional systems provides us with very local person-to-person communications."

Kemp points out that the railroad's conventional systems plays an important role in the critical "hump yard" operations. The "hump" is a big hill in the middle of a railroad yard where boxcars are put together to build trains that can run a mile long or more. On the upside of the hump is a track, and on the downside the track branches into a network of tracks.

A switch engine pushes a series of box cars up the side of the hill and over the hump. The cars then are free-toll down the other side and are guided to a specific track to join a train that's going to a specific area.

The conventional radio system connects the yard operator in the control tower, the engineer on board the locomotive that's doing the shove, and the person pulling the pin to release the cars as they come over the hump.

"This demands exact timing and constant communications," according to Kemp. "This is another situation where conventional works perfectly for us."

Harry
http://www.snowcrest.net/marnells/digital-scanner.htm

692. Re: [foamers] Rail Amateur Radio

Yahoo group: hamrailfans
Date: 2002-12-10 04:34:38 UTC
From: Pacific Electric
Topic: 692 Message: 692

Ya, it used to be on the K6POU (?) repeater on 145.33; I've heard that it's not active any more... but I could be wrong again.

Harry / N6URU

----- Original Message -----
From: "Bob Gundrum" <pafidt@...>
To: "FOAMERS" <foamers@yahoogroups.com>
Sent: Monday, December 09, 2002 16:27
Subject: [foamers] Rail Amateur Radio

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693. Re: [BayAreaRailHistory] Re: [foamers] Rail Amateur Radio

Yahoo group: hamrailfans
Date: 2002-12-10 05:04:00 UTC
From: Alan Kline
Topic: 693 Message: 693

A couple of follow-up points to my previous post--

The Mt. Diablo QSO was the brainchild of Rob Carlson, of Altamont Press. Rob usually moderated each week in the beginning, but then (if my hazy memory still works) later on rotated the task among some of the regulars. (I hope that's right--it's been so long now!) Around that time, I took turns doing the regular Wed. night net for a Peninsula club--I hope I'm not confusing the two!

The group would meet for face-to-face QSO's, usually twice a year. Stockton tower was one location, the then-new Amtrak depot in Roseville was another.

I miss those QSO's a lot, and I'm sure I'm not the only one...

ak

On Mon, 9 Dec 2002, Alan Kline wrote:

> It was K6POU, but the machine was on Mt. Diablo, not Mt. San Bruno.
> There was a K6POU 440 machine as well, on 443.8. The system went down
> with serious problems in...1996 or so? With it went the Wednesday night
> railfan QSO. The repeater finally came back but the Wed. night QSO was
> never the same.
>
> Alan / KN0H, ex-KN6HA
> (occasional QSO moderator)
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694. Re: [BayAreaRailHistory] Re: [foamers] Rail Amateur Radio

Yahoo group: hamrailfans
Date: 2002-12-10 06:50:53 UTC
From: Alan Kline
Topic: 693 Message: 694

Ken--

There were some serious problems with the repeater that had it off-air for quite a long time--someone else mentioned antenna troubles. I think the off-air period was long enough-quite a few months, IIRC-that the group never found itself again when the machines finally came back up. There simply weren't any other repeaters available that had the same coverage as that big boomer up on Diablo. Rob, of course was in Modesto, I did most of my checkins from Brisbane, and we had people in the North and South Bays, as well as Sacramento.

It's really too bad. The internet is a great way to disseminate info, as we all know, but it's just not the same as a good ragchew, and we certainly had our share of those with the group.

On Mon, 9 Dec 2002, Ken Shattock wrote:

> Hey Alan--
> I was on Rob's Wed Night QSO once in a while-- I miss them too. Why did
> they stop??
>
> Ken Shattock
> KC7ZJC

695. Fw: [BayAreaRailHistory] Re: [foamers] Rail Amateur Radio

Yahoo group: hamrailfans
Date: 2002-12-10 10:00:46 UTC
From: Pacific Electric
Topic: 695 Message: 695

----- Original Message -----
From: "Tom Shinn" <tom_shinn@...>
To: <foamers@yahoogroups.com>
Sent: Tuesday, December 10, 2002 01:08
Subject: Re: [BayAreaRailHistory] Re: [foamers] Rail Amateur Radio

> Alan and others,
>
> The K6POU repeaters were tenants on a tower (I've forgotten whose)
> that fell down due to old age, inadequate maintenance and a winter
> storm. As such, the repeaters were totally off-air for at least
> several months, then returned at a MUCH lower-level site (intended
> to be temporary) with coverage such that I could barely hit it from
> my home station in Santa Clara, much less with an HT, as had been
> possible before.
>
> Like others, I gave up on it. I think it's better than at the worst,
> but I still can't hit it with my HT and it's only about an S-5 on
> my home station (Diamond X-50 on the roof). So the coverage still
> isn't what it was, and one must assume it never will be.
>
> There are other possibilities, such as the Inter-City repeater system.
> (440.600 on Mt Hamilton, plus other linked repeaters in the valley) if
> someone wants to start a movement.
>
> Tom
> KE6RAH
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> ----- Original Message -----
> From: Alan Kline
> To: BayArea_RailHistory@yahoogroups.com
> Cc: foamers@yahoogroups.com ; hamrailfans@yahoogroups.com
> Sent: Monday, December 09, 2002 10:50 PM
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> never found itself again when the machines finally came back up. There
> simply weren't any other repeaters available that had the same coverage as
> that big boomer up on Diablo. Rob, of course was in Modesto, I did most

> of my checkins from Brisbane, and we had people in the North and South
> Bays, as well as Sacramento.
>
> It's really too bad. The internet is a great way to disseminate info, as
> we all know, but it's just not the same as a good ragchew, and we
> certainly had our share of those with the group.
>
> On Mon, 9 Dec 2002, Ken Shattock wrote:
>
> > Hey Alan--
> > I was on Rob's Wed Night QSO once in a while-- I miss them too. Why did
> > they stop??
> >
> > Ken Shattock
> > KC7ZJC
>
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>
>
> Your use of Yahoo! Groups is subject to http://docs.yahoo.com/info/terms/
>
>

696. Fw: [foamers] Radio Railfans

Yahoo group: hamrailfans
Date: 2002-12-13 03:18:44 UTC
From: Harry Marnell
Topic: 696 Message: 696

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----- Forwarded Message -----
From: "Bob Gundrum" <pafidt@...>
To: <foamers@yahoogroups.com>
Sent: Thursday, December 12, 2002 18:43
Subject: Re: [foamers] Radio Railfans

Will rephrase - wish there was a repeater that railfans could hang out in the SF
Bay Area.
bg
----- Original Message -----
From: Phil Kane
To: foamers@yahoogroups.com
Sent: Thursday, December 12, 2002 6:31 PM
Subject: Re: [foamers] Radio Railfans

On Thu, 12 Dec 2002 17:08:23 -0800, Bob Gundrum wrote:

>Just wish that an open repeater in the SF Bay area for railfans.

Wes' machine is not designed for railfans - we just hang out there
or on 442.025 when something happens
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697. Re: East Bay ham repeaters K6POU

Yahoo group: hamrailfans
Date: 2002-12-13 03:27:34 UTC
From: Pacific Electric
Topic: 697 Message: 697

I'm finding

145.330- PL 100.0 Mt.Diablo K6POU
443.800+ PL 100.0 Concord K6POU

both sponsored by MDRA, whoever that is.

harry / N6URU

----- Original Message -----
From: "Bob Gundrum" <pafidt@...>
To: <foamers@yahoogroups.com>
Sent: Thursday, December 12, 2002 18:48
Subject: Re: [foamers] Napa Junction

> THANKS
> Am checking my ARRL Repeater Directory. In case am unable to locate - what
are the frequencies?
> bg
> ----- Original Message -----
> From: DONALD MEEHAN
> To: foamers@yahoogroups.com
> Sent: Thursday, December 12, 2002 3:46 PM
> Subject: [foamers] Napa Junction
>
>
> Today steel in --pipe out---
> UP 4857--4840--flag and 5750
>
> Rumor from Cal North. engineer.....this is last unit train in this year!!
>
> Napa pipe to lay off 100 workers after Jan 1st. Contracts running out for
time being...
>
> K6POU is up and running, both VHF AND UHF on Diablo
> Some moan and groaners hanging out, but has good coverage.
> I monitor on Wed. going to Rio Vista. Any body chasing trains are usually
welcome.....some time you have to break in....
>
> AC6LE.....NAPA
>
>
> [Non-text portions of this message have been removed]
>
>
> Yahoo! Groups Sponsor

> ADVERTISEMENT
>
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> Your use of Yahoo! Groups is subject to the Yahoo! Terms of Service.
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698. Re: [hamrailfans] Re: East Bay ham repeaters K6POU

Yahoo group: hamrailfans
Date: 2002-12-13 20:20:15 UTC
From: Jim Ley
Topic: 697 Message: 698

Harry,

The K6POU machines are not sponsored by anyone other than the trustee, K6POU. Wendell, K6POU is a railfan though and the machine is railfan friendly.
Whenever I'm traveling to CA, that's where I can be found.

Jim Ley

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> harry / N6URU

73 de N6ECV
http://n6ecv.net/
"A conclusion is simply the place where
someone got tired of thinking"
- Arthur Block

699. Re: [hamrailfans] Re: East Bay ham repeaters K6POU

Yahoo group: hamrailfans
Date: 2002-12-13 20:40:21 UTC
From: Harry Marnell
Topic: 697 Message: 699

OK, thanks Jim.

Harry

----- Original Message -----
From: "Jim Ley" <jimley@...>
To: <hamrailfans@yahoogroups.com>
Sent: Friday, December 13, 2002 12:20
Subject: Re: [hamrailfans] Re: East Bay ham repeaters K6POU

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700. Fw: Yaesu VX-150 for RR reception? But avoid the VX-1

Yahoo group: hamrailfans
Date: 2002-12-25 20:52:25 UTC
From: Harry Marnell
Topic: 700 Message: 700

Yikes, and thanks for the heads-up, Don. I hadn't heard that before about the VX-1, nor have I seen many (ANY?) reports on how the VX-150 receives 160-161 RR freqs. Anyone on here have any comparisons on these two Yaesu's for receiving rails?

Harry Marnell / N6URU
http://www.snowcrest.net/marnells/4449.htm

----- Original Message -----
From: "Don Pomplun" <BlueFlash@...>
To: <RailScan@yahoogroups.com>
Sent: Wednesday, December 25, 2002 08:14
Subject: [RailScan] What's a VX-150? But avoid the VX-1

> Yaesu also has a VX-1 that I used to own. Although it receives RR
> frequencies, for some reason it has a real dip in sensitivity in that
> area. It's OK below (2 meter ham band) and above the 160's, but was noted
> in reviews (by ARRL) to be way bad right where we want it to be good.
>
> Don K2BIO
> San Ramon, CA

701. Fw: Yaesu VX-150 for RR reception? But avoid the VX-1

Yahoo group: hamrailfans
Date: 2002-12-25 21:46:51 UTC
From: Harry Marnell
Topic: 700 Message: 701

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------ Forwarded Message -------
From: "Ken Girard" <kgirard585@...>
To: <Railroad-Radio-Communications@yahoogroups.com>
Sent: Wednesday, December 25, 2002 13:42
Subject: Re: [Railroad-Radio-Communications] Fw: Yaesu VX-150 for RR reception?
But avoid the VX-1

The VX-150 is based on the commercial version Vertex
Standard model. I haven't ever used one, but I am
interested in this radio so like others here would
like to hear from someone that owns one.

Ken
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702. Re: [RailScan] Digest Number 934

Yahoo group: hamrailfans
Date: 2002-12-26 16:04:15 UTC
From: Ron R - KD5CYW
Topic: 702 Message: 702

Well Good day, only 364 more days till Christmas, ok just joking around.

Eric, and group,

As for the VX-150 and Icom V8 being Ham versions of Commercial versions, they will have a better front end from intermod, that is in today Comm with lots of Digi and Data links, intermod will be a problem with these radios depending where you have strong Xmiters, but not as much as older radios. Most Comm radios that are spec'd in preprogrammed band range has more filters than a pack of Camels, so intermod is limited, but still not totally eliminated. I have a work radio (Moto HT-1000) that when you sit it up on the dash in the truck, or on the Nav's table or Pilot's Center Console on the airplane, it opens the Squelch and you get that nice white noise sound. Near a computer the LED blinks as in you are recv'g a transmission, but the TSQL does not open it up to get all the white noise static sounds, this also depends on the computer (Speed of processor) as for sometimes it will.

The product line of many companies makes sense that Comm and Ham radio units share the same body for two reasons, 1. less production costs to make part, 2. just change the inside set up from Comm to Ham spec's is all on a circuit board programming, the wonderful days of micro chips and other electronic wonders.

Not sure on Yeaseu's radios, I never owned one, our local fella who go's around to the Hamfest is a Icom and Yeaseu Authz'd dealer, and his opinion is this, you see the table here before you, how many Icom's do you see compared to Yeaseu's? To say the least, Icom won out and I always enjoyed my Icoms. (But the way you talk about the -150, it may be worth a try to find some reports on it too, interesting.)

Icom has the V8 for Ham's, it turn the Comm side is the F3, and I just saw another product number in a Comm mag for the same radio, just different spec's and functions. I use the T2H now, and I like it very much, the only thing is the V8 100 chl's do work out for RR band. The ease of programming them with software is easy and quick, Icom has used the same cable for a while and programming thru the Spkr port is a simple way to do it.

I mentioned it before that the V8000 (75w Mobile rig) my friend has he set that up next to the computer and it rejected the channels that would lock on with his -2100H. Well he moved to GA and has it set up there now, still doing good in the area where he has more front end problems on his other radios than the V8000. Also he had it mounted in his truck for a bit and when he pulled into the gas stations on the road, the 2100 would lock up, well the V8000 did not either. Not bad for a mini report from him on that.

Here is something else to ponder, Altn'r Noise will do things to lock up channel on the radio, I use a power choke on the DC side and it has helped a bit. Motorola has Alt's out there that are brushless and in out Emeg. Comm Van, we have radios for Ham, Public Safety (City, County, State), Red Cross, CB, and even scanner equipment (with plans to put in FRS/GMRS radios). When driving the van down the road we do not hear Humming in the Xmit side when your Recv'g from another radio else where, it was bad

before the Alt change with motor running, regular Batt power was OK for ops.

So as time passes on with the change in Technology, seems to me radios are improving in the Ham/Comm combo world. This is a challenge to radio folks around the world it seems. Maybe we will see the Perfect Radio one day.

Hope you all had a Merry Christmas,
(We did)
Ron

On 26 Dec 02, at 13:07, RailScan@yahoogroups.com, RailScan@yahoogroups.com
<RailScan@yahoogroups.com> wrote on [RailScan] Digest Number 934:
> Message: 12
> Date: Thu, 26 Dec 2002 00:44:29 -0600
> From: "Eric Burris" <eburris@...>
> Subject: Re: Fw:Yaesu VX-150 for RR reception? But avoid the VX-1
>
> I have no regrets about the vx150. it's not perfect, but the next best
> thing. After hearing so many other railhams talking about how good it is,
> it seems more valuable lto me. Plus it's my first 2meter radio and it
> brings good memories of how excited i was to take the tech test and the
> painstaking wait for my callsign. It's a long wait when you have the
> radio in your hands but no callsign. i got the radio first so i wouldn't
> back out of the exam. Good incentive to hurry up. I and many others
> are di and yes the sensitivity is fabulous on the vx150. it is so good,
> can't get any better. I am however waiting for my new speaker replacement
> as i always had crappy sound like the speaker is blown. I used the
> speaker mike most the time. I heard thevx150 has good loud audio. Mine
> was defective i think. I should've sent it in before the warrenty
> expired, but i couldn't part with it, even after buying a dual band.
> That's how much it meant to me.
>
> I am curious how the new Icom V8 2 meter ht is. Anyone tried one yet? If
> i had money to go around i would buy one for the heck of it. Some
> commercial icoms look exactly like the v8. Eric, kc0ldt
>
> ----- Original Message -----
> From: Harry Marnell
> Subject: [RailScan] Fw:Yaesu VX-150 for RR reception? But avoid the VX-1
>
> ------ Forwarded Message -------
> From: "Ken Girard" <kgirard585@...>
> To: <Railroad-Radio-Communications@yahoogroups.com>
> Sent: Wednesday, December 25, 2002 13:42
> Subject: Re: [Railroad-Radio-Communications] Fw: Yaesu VX-150 for RR
> reception? But avoid the VX-1
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>
> The VX-150 is based on the commercial version Vertex
> Standard model. I haven't ever used one, but I am
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> like to hear from someone that owns one.
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> Ken
>

73's
Ron Roman, KD5CYW
Altus, OK

703. Fw: [foamers] Yaesu VX-150

Yahoo group: hamrailfans
Date: 2002-12-26 18:00:23 UTC
From: Harry Marnell
Topic: 703 Message: 703

----- Original Message -----
From: "Karl Dahlquist" <gemcohauler@...>
To: <foamers@yahoogroups.com>
Sent: Thursday, December 26, 2002 09:32
Subject: [foamers] Yaesu VX-150

I picked up a VX-150 from Ham Radio Outlet online for $79 a couple weeks ago. I would say it about doubled the range of my Radio Shack Pro-93 in terms of where I could hear engineers calling out the signals. In fact, using the same long-wire all-band antenna (ccrane, ya know) inside my office, I would say the VX-150 outperforms my Pro2006. For those in Los Angeles, I can be standing at Glendale Station, I can hear trains departing Union Station, the activity at The Shops yard, and hear trains up to CP Woodman on the Coast Line, and intermittently up the Saugus Line to CP Balboa. These are all the non repeatered engineers comms...on the dispatcher side, I can pick up Metrolink Valley/Ventura Subs, Metrolink River Sub, UP Dispatcher 30, some of UP Dispatcher 50 along the San Pedro Sub, the UP PBX, the BNSF PBX, and heard a little of Dispatcher 48 past West Colton, although I contribute that to how cold it was.

I had read somewhere that the VX-1 was crap, so I steered clear of it.

Karl

PS. My buddy just moved from BNSF Commerce and is in conductor training in the San Joaquin Valley. He told me they are now issuing Kenwood radios to the Conductors, as the Motorolas were now considered too expensive. He told me the model number, but I promptly forgot it. duh.

704. Re: Moto, Kenwood, Icom, Vertex...

Yahoo group: hamrailfans
Date: 2002-12-27 18:14:06 UTC
From: Ron R - KD5CYW
Topic: 704 Message: 704

On 27 Dec 02, at 12:48, hamrailfans@yahoogroups.com,
hamrailfans@yahoogroups.com <hamrailfans@yahoogroups.com> wrote on
[hamrailfans] Digest Number 341:
> Message: 2
> Date: Thu, 26 Dec 2002 10:00:23 -0800
> From: "Harry Marnell" <marnell@...>
> Subject: Fw: [foamers] Yaesu VX-150
>
> ----- Original Message -----
> From: "Karl Dahlquist" <gemcohauler@...>
> To: <foamers@yahoogroups.com>
> Sent: Thursday, December 26, 2002 09:32
> Subject: [foamers] Yaesu VX-150

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>
> Karl
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> the Conductors, as the Motorolas were now considered too expensive. He
> told me the model number, but I promptly forgot it. duh.
>

Well here we go into another one of the favorite items, "Other then Moto" Dept.

Let's go back to this small area of competition in marketing... by all means I'm not anywhere in the college grad of this, it is from seeing and learning around here in Okieland. I'm not bashing Moto, it is they have loss sight of today's budgeting or lack of from Towns, City, and and other businesses that are mobile and need instant access. Radio needs have changed from the old time of 1 Adam 12's 'See the Man' call on TV. BNSF, H&E, Farmrail all have Kenwood radios from what I have seen, and I think WT&J does have some too. It has been a mix of older Moto's and newer Kenwoods. (Hey just look at what Cell Phones have done to PBX or other ways to "Patch the Call" thru, everyone is using them. I know the railroads here call the DS to get the trainorders done, and radio now is more for switching only for crew/crew comm.)

Now with todays market of changing times, this is as a Ham for me I see it in... I am sometimes on the road to different places, and I like to have instant access with ease of programming. Yes the dial pad does make it easy, and you have to remember what function does what, if you remember at all (always have instruction around somewhere on trips) what buttons do what. From the computer is the best way, you program what you want and save them in a file, within a minutes time or less hook it up and it is done. (I like my Icom, one computer plug for all radios, and software is loaded a ready to go, simple to use.) Well I see other sources in the Public Safety, and other businesses like this too, without sending back to a dealer or authz'd place to have the

radio's programmed, and that is down time for some that can be bad.

Icom, Kenwood, Vertex all have user programable radios, and the cost of the Comm radio is cheaper than Moto by far, (Seams like we talked at a few Ham radio club meetings about this) and a computer is all you need, or even field programable radios as in Transmit by one radio will do an auto set up of all radios at the area needed. Well the City's like this, less to budget, more to work with without a hassle to get what they need. Our city had got some Kenwoods and the EMT Dept got Icoms... simple to program at the desk, than to send out and wait. Less than 4 hours they had 20 radios ready to go into service, charged, labelled with ID number, and programmed. Well the railroads can have that problem too, solved at the touch of a button... Send to Radio... Upload complete!

If any of you get or can see the Public Safety Mag's, or other stuff for Fire Dept, and such there of, you will see that alot of other than Moto ads there, Kenwood, Icom, Vertex, and such of the likes... competition is feirce for the big radio needs of business. There are stories out thee that some places that have gone from Moto to another radio has a lot of good things to say. I think from something around here was the price of 1 Moto can get you 3 Kenwoods, and the battle never ends....

Again with this, the Comm radios and the Ham radios are being combined to look like each other for cost savings, which of course gets passed on to the consumer for a lower MSRP. Using basically the same Circuit Boards, just the different programming for transmissions of the spectrum you are licensed for, and you get good quality now for front end rejection.

I can say is this.... His official pro radio looks like My official ham radio!, that is not fair. :-)

Sounds like that VX-150 is a good deal.
(If I get another radio I think my wife would scream and be ready for a padded room.)

Take it easy,

73's
Ron Roman, KD5CYW
Altus, OK

705. Motorola Radio Programming.

Yahoo group: hamrailfans
Date: 2002-12-31 20:09:02 UTC
From: Gabe <glibohorszky@msn.com>
Topic: 705 Message: 705

Hello all,

Anyone in the group program Motorola radios? Specifically Radius HT 750 and SP50? I would like a few RR and HAM freqs. programmed into 2 HTs I have. Please contact me off list, thanks.

Gabe N3QOA

706. Email Address Change

Yahoo group: hamrailfans
Date: 2003-01-02 05:46:42 UTC
From: Richard Zimmerman
Topic: 706 Message: 706

Hello All!

This is one of those "Change my email address" emails!

After 4 years of very happy Interneting, I'm leaving Earthlink. Why? They are unable to or don't care to control the amount of spam that flows through thier networks. I'm tired of receiving about 300 spam messages a week. The "Spamiator" Earthlink has DOES work but they still need to go further to solve the problem...

Besides, cable modem is SOOOooooo much faster!

OK, here's the deal... If you need ONLY Internet access (for road warriors) I highly recommend Earthlink. The Internet service itself is first rate. Spam is there problem. BTW, Earthlink works just fine with Linux, DO NOT let them tell you otherwise.... :-)

As for my email address, please do the following:

DELETE: ke4rit@... from your address books

and...

ADD: ke4rit@... to your address books!!! :-)))

I know this is a pain but I appreciate the effort!

May you all have a safe and happy 2003!

Thanks!

Richard "Goose" Zimmerman

707. Re: [hamrailfans] Email Address Change

Yahoo group: hamrailfans
Date: 2003-01-02 18:35:17 UTC
From: Neil McKie
Topic: 706 Message: 707

And, it appears, you will be changing your e-mail address again one of these days. AT&T Broadband got sold to Comcast ... sorry `bout that ...

See http://www.katu.com/news/story.asp?ID=52685

Neil - WA6KLA ...

Richard Zimmerman wrote:
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> As for my email address, please do the following:
>
> DELETE: ke4rit@... from your address books
>
> and...
>
> ADD: ke4rit@... to your address books!!! :-)))
>
> I know this is a pain but I appreciate the effort!
>
> May you all have a safe and happy 2003!
>
> Thanks!
>
> Richard "Goose" Zimmerman
>
>
>
> Your use of Yahoo! Groups is subject to http://docs.yahoo.com/info/terms/

708. Re: [hamrailfans] E-Mail Address Change

Yahoo group: hamrailfans
Date: 2003-01-06 01:18:45 UTC
From: Phil Kane
Topic: 708 Message: 708

> Date: Thu, 2 Jan 2003 00:46:42 -0500
> From: Richard Zimmerman <ke4rit@...>

> After 4 years of very happy Interneting, I'm leaving Earthlink.
>Why? They are unable to or don't care to control the amount of spam
>that flows through thier networks. I'm tired of receiving about 300
>spam messages a week. The "Spamiator" Earthlink has DOES work but they
>still need to go further to solve the problem...

I was a satisfied Earthlink subscriber who changed to ATT Broadband
only becasue Earthlink does not (yet) offer alternative cable modem
ISP service in Oregon.

I got rid of over 90% of the spam traffic ny writing a filter for my
mail-reader (PMMail/2) that trashes - unread - any e-mail messagem
that contains ML encoding or is origibnared from specific senders.

My mail server sits on a third-party provider, not my ISP, so I can
change ISPs without changing my mail address.

Works like a charm.

---
73 de K2ASP - Phil Kane

From a Clearing in the Silicon Forest
Beaverton (Washington County) Oregon

709. Re: [hamrailfans] E-Mail Address Change

Yahoo group: hamrailfans
Date: 2003-01-06 07:22:00 UTC
From: Jim Ley
Topic: 708 Message: 709

Phil,

I have a similar setup with Earthlink as my ISP. Same deal, no spam. The same provider, Pair.com has my website on it as well. VERY satisfactory. I like Earthlink, as I've got access anywhere while on the road.

Jim Ley

Phil Kane wrote:
>
> > Date: Thu, 2 Jan 2003 00:46:42 -0500
> > From: Richard Zimmerman <ke4rit@...>
>
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73 de N6ECV
http://n6ecv.net/

"Above all I hope that the education of the common people
will be attended to so they won't forget the basic principles
of freedom."
--Thomas Jefferson

710. Railfan nets

Yahoo group: hamrailfans
Date: 2003-01-07 04:01:08 UTC
From: Ronald Berwager
Topic: 710 Message: 710

Are there any railfan nets on amateur radio bands? I am interested in CW, but would settle for ssb if there is a net that meets regularly

711. Re: [hamrailfans] Railfan nets

Yahoo group: hamrailfans
Date: 2003-01-07 06:53:20 UTC
From: Neil McKie
Topic: 710 Message: 711

Me too ...

Neil - WA6KLA ...

Ronald Berwager wrote:
>
> Are there any railfan nets on amateur radio bands? I am interested in
> CW, but would settle for ssb if there is a net that meets regularly
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712. Hamrailfan nets

Yahoo group: hamrailfans
Date: 2003-01-08 10:26:01 UTC
From: Jim Minor
Topic: 712 Message: 712

Season's greetings all...

The only CW nets I know of are based in Europe with European railroaders and fans, I don't know of how active they are these days. They did have a webpage up: http://webplaza.pt.lu/firac/

There was also a SSB net that used to meet on Saturday mornings at 7.272 at 0800 EST. It's mostly retired railroaders from 4 Land, but they love a check-in. Due to work I haven't checked it in awhile. I believe they also may have had a cw sked going, but I wasn't able to check in. They have a page at: http://www.tomsdata.com/rag/

I know there is considerable interest to do so, and there were a few folks from the old www.railroad.net page who tried to get something going at one time or another (there was a ham radio thread, unfortunately it disappeared when the first page tumbled and not that many have checked in since it came back). I believe some of those instigators are on this list too, but many of the same have conflicting work schedules.

Good luck if anyone tries!

Best regards-
Jim w2dsx

713. Did they Vote or Railroaded?

Yahoo group: hamrailfans
Date: 2003-01-11 04:13:23 UTC
From: Ron R - KD5CYW
Topic: 713 Message: 713

Well howdy all,

Just to say to all my Rail and Ham friends, from this RailHam of course...

We a Ham Radio Club meeting last night, I was voted in as President, since I was the only one on the ballot.

Some would say Railroaded (you should have heard the horns as them lights came by), but I guess Head Ham I will be, hope I don't get cut up as a Sprial.

73's with the Highball,
Ron Roman, KD5CYW
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714. Railfan nets

Yahoo group: hamrailfans
Date: 2003-01-14 03:51:44 UTC
From: ronber2003 <wb3kvr@nfdc.net>
Topic: 710 Message: 714

Thanks to Jim, W2DSX for posting the mail on the net containing references for railroad amateur groups. Lots of information on each of their internet sites. The european group even has an award to try for. I found a CW net for the north american railroad amateurs group on 3683 khz at 0115 Tues (monday nights).

715. DC A Tuesday and Wednesday in Sacramento and other Informational Tid-bits

Yahoo group: hamrailfans
Date: 2003-02-07 20:56:44 UTC
From: 6351 Tecolote Canyon
Topic: 715 Message: 715

The February Reporting cycle includes all four Coast Starlight Consists, the Capitols, the Key Holidays Reno Fun Train, the Zephyr, the San Joaquins, and the Sacramento RT Metro Light Rail Trains. There were a host of UP Freights also logged in this cycle as well.

DC A 14 3FEB03

e-113/112

1760-new to Coast

39022

32085 Kentucky-new to Coast

32110 Tennessee

39970

38068

33037-new to Coast

34101

34515

34038

Arrived 12:17A, DP 12:44A 25mi late

Note: Operational Depature is 12:19A.

Delayed Martinez to Sacramento due to freights & train #703 staging at Sacramento. Took additional hit for fuelling and de-trashing at Sacramento.

DC A 14 04FEB03

e-119/120/459-new to coast as run-thru power

1701

39037

32117 West Virginia-new to Coast

32084 Kansas-new to Coast

39974

38055

33028

34102-"shot out liquid-crystal display on engineer's side"

34510

34041-new to Coast

Arrived 11:54A/Departed 12:19A ON TIME (this is the first Ontime Starlight I have seen at Sacramento in over Two Years of reporting the trains.)

DC A 11 04FEB03

e-116/117

1705

39041-new to Coast

32095 Nebraska

32106 Pennsylvania

39972

38056

33041-new to Coast

34117

34512

34081

Arrived 5:50A/Departed 6:35A ON TIME (again, this is the first Ontime Starlight at Sacramento in over two years.)

DC A 14 05FEB03

e-115/114

39021

32103 Ohio-new to Coast

32091 Minnesota

39973

38059

33049

34085-new to Coast

34504 (with no toy-box downstairs in the kiddie room)

34106

Arrived 1:14A and Departed 1:35A 1hr 16mi late due to adding private cars at SNS and dropping them at OKJ, and dropping CAL Equipment off. The Black Hole prevails once again when it comes to the Starlight.

All of the Capitol Trains were for the operating date of February 4, 2003, all reported at Sacramento Station.

DC A 521

e-2010/8311 Mount Palomar

8002 San Joaquin River/8003 American River/6463 Muir Beach

8805 Yosemite Valley

Departed Sacramento On Time

DC A 525

e-2005/8308 Mount San Gorgonio

6462 Moss Beach/6465 Moonstone Beach

6362 Treasure Island

Departed Sacramento On Time.

DC A 547

e-2009/8310 Mount Hamilton

8016 San Luis Rey River/8012 San Lorenzo River

6361 Angel Island

Departed Sacramento Ontime

DC A 549

e-2011/6962 Point Bonita

8025 Mokelumne River/8017 Tuolumne River/8019 Eel River

8814 Mission Valley

Departed Sacramento On Time.

DC A 531 - PUSHING - QUIET CAR IN FRONT

8309 Mount San Jacinto/e-507

8204 Drakes Bay/8008 Stanislaus River

8811 Antelope Valley

Departed SAC Ontime

DC A 537

e-2002/8301 Mount Whitney

8031 Mattole River/6464 Stinson Beach/8010 Truckee River

8802 Sacramento Valley

Departed SAC 5 minutes Late due to Reno Snow Train Loading.

DC A 541

e-2008/8313 Mount Lassen

8018 Trinity River/6461 Pebble Beach

35003

Departed SAC ontime.

DC A 546

e-2005/8306 Mount Soledad

8011 Yuba River/8013 Klamath River/8020 Feather River

8806 Salinas Valley

Arrived SAC ontime.

California Zephyr:

Both Reports are Eastbound, one for Tuesday and one for Wednesday. Both consists were running Coaches Forward and Sleepers Trailing.

DC A 6 4FEB03

e-93/91/160

1802-new to Zephyr

39006

34049/88/1592-new to Zephyr

33012/38000

32042/32038

1430-new to Zephyr/71159/71164

Arrived 12:33P DP 12:48P 1hr 13mi late due to Mechanical problem west of Davis and Reno Snow Train at Sacramento.

DC A 6 5FEB03

e-198/93/843-new to Zephyr

39024-new, transfered from Starlight Pool

34008/103-new, transfered from Starlight Pool/1523

33003/38021-new, transfered from Starlight Pool

32009 George M. Pullman/32088 Maryland-new to Zephyr.

I don't remember seeing Superliner II Coaches on the Zephyr for some time, also sleeper 32088 Maryland is new, perhaps from the Builder's pool.

Arrived 11:27A and Departed 11:43A 8mi late.

DC A 972 - "KEY HOLIDAYS - RENO SNOW TRAIN SPECIAL"

DELAYED DUE TO FREIGHT TRAFFIC

BOARDED APPROXIMATELY 350 PASSENGERS AT SACRAMENTO, ADDITIONAL DELAY DUE TO PASS. AND BAGG.

e-505/509/500

53502

54505/507/562/509

10031

54508/503

PV #800380 Royal Gorge

54500/532/581/568

53501

Arrived 11:49A DP 12:03P 43 minutes late from Track No. 3.

Sacramento Light Rail Trains:

Trains #1 thru #5 were logged from the Marconi/Arcade Station as I had a meeding nearby.

Trains #6 thru #8 were logged from the Watt & I-80 Terminal Station.

DC A 1

134/113/114/126

DC A 2

131/110/109/122

DC A 3

132/135/108/115

DC A 4

125/106/130/120

DC A 5

111/121/117/129

DC A 6

DELAYED DUE TO A DOOR PROBLEM

104/107/128/107

DC A 7

116/112/119/124

DC A 8

136/123/118/103

NON-ACTIVE CARS

101/105/112/116

San Joaquin Train Consists

DC A 702

e-2006/8305 Mount Tamalpais

8205 Monterey Bay/8030 Noyo River

8813 Antelope Valley

Departed SAC On Time

DC A 703

e-2012/8303 Mount Diablo

8202 San Diego Bay/8022 Pit River

8810 Owens Valley

Arrived Sacramento 9 Minutes Early.

DC A 704

e-2014/6961 Point Arguello

8023 Calaveras River/8021 Kings River

8807 Imperial Valley

Departed Sacramento Ontime

Northern California Surfliners in Action:

6361 Angel Island

6362 Treasure Island

6461 Pebble Beach

6462 Moss Beach

6463 Muir Beach

6464 Stinson Beach

6465 Moonstone Beach

6961 Point Arguello

6962 Point Bonita

Repaint List:

8002 Sacramento River

8003 American River

8008 Stanislaus River

8010 Truckee River

8011 Yuba River

8012 San Lorenzo River

8013 Klamath River

8015 Salinas River

8016 San Luis Rey River

8017 Tuolumne River

8018 Trinity River

8019 Eel River

8020 Feather River

8021 Kings River

8022 Pit River

8023 Calaveras River

8024 Cosumnes River

8025 Mokelumne River

8030 Noyo River

8031 Mattole River

8202 San Diego Bay

8203 Bodega Bay

8204 Drakes Bay

8205 Monterey Bay

8301 Mount Whitney

8303 Mount Diablo

8305 Mount Tamalpais

8306 Mount Soledad

8308 Mount San Gorgonio

8309 Mount San Jacinto

8310 Mount Hamilton

8311 Mount Palomar

8805 Yosemite Valley

8806 Salinas Valley

8807 Imperial Valley

8810 Owens Valley

8811 Antelope Valley

8813 San Fernando Valley

8814 Mission Valley

Sleepers

32009 George M. Pullman

32084 Kansas

32085 Kentucky

32088 Maryland

32091 Minnesota

32095 Nebraska

32103 Ohio

32106 Pennsylvania

32110 Tennessee

32117 West Virginia

Lounge Cars

33003, 33012, 33037, 33049, 33041, 33028

Smokers

31523, 31592

Kiddies

34504, 34510, 34512, 34515

Dorms

39006, 39021, 39022, 39024, 39037, 39041

Dome Cars

10031

Horizon Dinettes

53501, 53502

Baggage Cars

1802, 1760, 1705, 1724, 1701, 1721

Non-Repainted

8802 Sacramento Valley, 8313 Mount Lassen

Sacramento Freight Traffic

9175/5886 68 loads, no empties 11:20/11:29A

4179/4164/5710 56 loads 14 empties 12:13/12:25P

4777/9047/6043 12:30A/12:37A - 69 loads 10 empties

2586 (facing backwards) 5 loads 19 empties (logged at Marconi/Arcade) 3:26P/3:35P

5102/4475 1:36A/1:43A 65 loads no empties

4604/2297/3311 69 loads no empties 1:51/2:01A

Mail

1430

Express

71159/71164/71129/71121

Reefers

74038/74102

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716. Scheduled airings of "Fateful Journey" on Critical Rescue

Yahoo group: hamrailfans
Date: 2003-02-09 22:32:21 UTC
From: Ron R - KD5CYW
Topic: 716 Message: 716

Here is something of an intresting aspect of RailHam Dept (Ham radio and Railroading combined), in the Emergancy Situation that occured. See link below for other info links imbedded into the story. It makes a RailHam feel good.

Ron

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http://www.arrl.org/news/stories/2003/02/07/100/?nc=1

ARRL Certificate of Merit Winner Participates in New TV Documentary

[photo]
A Discovery Channel camera operator films HDSCS founder and net control April Moell, WA6OPS, as she simulates emergency communications for the upcoming documentary Critical Rescue.

NEWINGTON, CT, Feb 7, 2003--An ARES group that recently received the ARRL National Certificate of Merit is part of a new Discovery Channel documentary, Critical Rescue. In an episode entitled "Fateful Journey," members of the Hospital Disaster Support Communications System (HDSCS) of Orange County, California, are featured responding to the head-on train collision in Brea, California, that killed two people and injured 160 others on April 23, 2002.

Critical Rescue is a new documentary series of hour-long programs featuring rescue workers and those who support them--including Amateur Radio operators--saving lives in large and small disasters. The series makes its debut next month.

Episode 2, titled "Fateful Journey," recounts the true story of a morning of emergency response training for HDSCS members that turned into a day of real tragedies and rescues after two trains collide. "Fateful Journey" is scheduled for its first broadcast in prime time on February 20.

The accident was caused when a freight train collided head-on with a Metrolink double-decker commuter train. The accident occurred just as hospitals and emergency responders in Orange County were about to hold a large-scale drill to test patient triage and transportation procedures for mass casualty incidents. HDSCS had 28 members awaiting assignments when word came in of the train collision.

Orange County ARES Emergency Coordinator and HDSCS Net Control April Moell, WA6OPS, immediately assigned the drill-ready hams to the 14 hospitals expected to receive crash victims. Net traffic included verifying victim dispatch and patient counts, providing hospitals with information for inquiring family members and liaison with hams supporting the Red Cross. Within some hospitals, hams provided direct communication among triage areas, emergency departments and command posts. HDSCS is a specialty group of the Amateur Radio Emergency Service (ARES). It was formed in 1979 with the specific mission of providing backup communications that are critical to patient care.
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Orange County Assistant EC and HDSCS member Joe Moell, K0OV, said that for the documentary, a team from New Dominion Pictures, an independent production company under contract to Discovery Networks, spent a half-day with HDSCS last August. They interviewed April Moell and taped reenactments of communications that took place during the HDSCS emergency net of April 23.

Additional HDSCS operators videotaped or audiotaped for possible use in the Discovery program were Sam Creason, K6EW; Cheryl Simpson, KD6MWZ; Ralph Swanson, WB6JBI and David Mofford, W7KTS. On other days, the producers taped reenactments of victim triage, treatment and transport at the Placentia crash site and at least two hospitals. It is not known how much of the HDSCS footage will appear in the edited program.

Scheduled airings of "Fateful Journey" are at 8 and 11 PM Eastern and Pacific times on February 20, and at 2 PM on February 22 (Eastern and Pacific). The Discovery Channel is the second most widely distributed cable network in the United States, with over 85 million subscribers.

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717. (no subject)

Yahoo group: hamrailfans
Date: 2003-02-10 02:22:21 UTC
From: Richard Zimmerman
Topic: 717 Message: 717

I thought this might be of interest to you all...

Richard

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718. Theft of artifacts

Yahoo group: hamrailfans
Date: 2003-02-11 00:10:38 UTC
From: ronber2003 <wb3kvr@nfdc.net>
Topic: 718 Message: 718

Artifacts have been reported stolen from the Strasburg Railroad in
Strasburg, Pa. The theft was discovered upon opening on 2/10/03,
Artifacts include:
Number Plates from engines 31, 90, and 475
a Brass Bell
Marker lamps
Anyone discovering these artifacts at yard sales, flee markets, etc.
report to police authorities so the artifacts can be recovered.

719. (fwd) Union Pacific RR to Throw Switch to P25 Digital

Yahoo group: hamrailfans
Date: 2003-02-17 04:45:25 UTC
From: Smokey Behr
Topic: 719 Message: 719

UP RR to go Project 25 Digital

Union Pacific Railroad owns and operates a conventional radio system
that covers the 25 western states of the U.S. This high-tech rail
carrier utilizes not only two-way radio, but also wireless data and
9,000 miles of fiber optic cables to support its highly sophisticated
operations.

From the railroad's centralized dispatch center for train operations,
between 700 and 800 trains are dispatched daily to points throughout the
western half of the U.S. Its conventional radio system has expanded
steadily over the years to more than 3,700 base stations, 17,000
portable radios, 4,3000 locomotive radios and several thousand mobile
radios.

Now, Union Pacific is preparing to take a major step forward with plans
to ultimately migrate the majority of its system from analog to digital
technology. The new system will be based on the APCO Project 25 digital
standard and will primarily operate as a conventional system with
trunking utilized in some high congestion areas.

The company expects the migration process to take five to seven years
before a significant portion of the railroad would be converted to the
new digital system. Ed Kemp, General Director for Information
Technologies at Union Pacific, spelled out the company's migration
plan.

"We will implement the new digital style base station that is capable of
receiving the analog signal and install the new base stations in our
major hubs and locations," Kemp says. "The point is to operate in the
analog mode until we have enough disbursement of the new type of

portables and mobiles out there where they can operate 100 percent digital, at which time we would turn that site over to a digital format."

The first areas to be migrated would be the beginning and end points of the rail lines, which typically are located in busier urban areas. However, the low usage stretches in between the major terminals will remain analog until there is a need for a digital system.

"That's the advantage of a conventional system. We can communicate over both analog and digital systems to provide the most cost-effective solution to our business," says Kemp.

The data capabilities of the new digital system should help convince the company to allocate the capital necessary to fund the system. Kemp points out that data will provide vital information to improve the safety and operating efficiency of the railroad.

Union Pacific has some 4,000 locomotives in service, each one valued at an average of about $1.5 - 2 million. That adds up to over $6 billion in assets that are moving around the U.S. at any given time, which makes asset utilization especially important. Data offers the opportunity to ultimately provide a wide range of information about the current condition of each locomotive and send that information directly back to the central database.

Fuel monitoring is also a critical issue for the railroad since it spends about $1 million a day on diesel fuel. The objective is to improve the entire fuel management process and take advantage of lower fuel purchase prices and storage costs. With new devices to monitor the fuel levels at different stops, the data system eventually can be used to help schedule refueling stops more efficiently.

"I'm confident that once the operating department sees what we can do, money will be allocated so we can start implementing base stations even in outlying areas where spectrum efficiency really isn't an issue," says Kemp.

Benefits of APCO Project 25 as Possible Industry Standard

One reason Kemp is anticipating the migration process is that APCO's Project 25 is setting a uniform standard for digital two-way radio. Although Project 25 is largely a public safety initiative, Union Pacific and other railroads have been actively involved in the process. Kemp is optimistic that railroad companies will soon vote to adopt Project 25 as the industry standard for voice and data.

"The needs for public safety and the railroads are very similar," Kemp says. "The railroad industry has the largest private police force in the country, Railroads do a tremendous amount of work with state and federal law enforcement organizations."

Key issues, such as multiple sourcing and interoperability, affect railroads as much as they affect public safety agencies. After all, a train that travels across country could use tracks belonging to several different railroads. Until Project 25, Kemp says, interoperability in the railroad industry has unfortunately created a "lowest common denominator" form of communications.

"We still use carrier squelch, for example," he says. "So it was a perfect match to be aligned with this new set of standards and the FCC requirements for narrowband (12.5 kHz) operation."

Not surprisingly, Kemp stresses that Union Pacific's planned digital system will be Project 25 compliant. He's also anticipating the many new benefits of digital technology, such as consistent audio quality, integrated voice and data, embedded signaling for unit ID, enhanced encryption, data port and more.

Conventional Radio Remains Ideal for Railroads

Kemp emphasizes that conventional two-way radio technology always has been and always will be vital to Union Pacific's communications. A good example of how Union Pacific employs conventional technology can

be
found in its yard operations.

"For us, it lets the ground person talk to the engineer directly without
needing an infrastructure, without needing even a repeater, so he or she
can help that engineer shove a boxcar into a siding and tell the
engineer when to stop," Kemp says. "The simple fact of having
conventional systems provides us with very local person-to-person
communications."

Kemp points out that the railroad's conventional systems plays an
important role in the critical "hump yard" operations. The "hump" is a
big hill in the middle of a railroad yard where boxcars are put together
to build trains that can run a mile long or more. On the upside of the
hump is a track, and on the downside the track branches into a network
of tracks.

A switch engine pushes a series of box cars up the side of the hill and
over the hump. The cars then are free-toll down the other side and are
guided to a specific track to join a train that's going to a
specific area.

The conventional radio system connects the yard operator in the control
tower, the engineer on board the locomotive that's doing the shove, and
the person pulling the pin to release the cars as they come over
the hump.

"This demands exact timing and constant communications," according to
Kemp. "This is another situation where conventional works perfectly for
us."

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John "Smokey Behr" Gleichweit FF1/EMT
IPN-CAL086 N5VZQ UP Fresno Sub MP183.5
Incident Paging Network California Chapter Admin.
List Owner x4, Moderator x4.

720. Re: Union Pacific RR to Throw Switch to P25 Digital

Yahoo group: hamrailfans
Date: 2003-02-17 17:35:11 UTC
From: Phil Kane
Topic: 720 Message: 720

> Date: Sun, 16 Feb 2003 20:45:25 -0800
> From: Smokey Behr <smokeybehr@...>
> Subject: (fwd) Union Pacific RR to Throw Switch to P25 Digital

>UP RR to go Project 25 Digital

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for us in the railroad radio field.

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quite a while, used for operations in Albina Yard.

No Big Deal. There already are scanners available for this type of
system. All it takes is money.

Phil Kane - K2ASP -- Beaverton, Oregon
PNW Milepost 754 -- Tillamook District

721. Re: [hamrailfans] Re: Union Pacific RR to Throw Switch to P25 Digital

Yahoo group: hamrailfans
Date: 2003-02-17 17:46:27 UTC
From: Jeremy
Topic: 720 Message: 721

I was able to listen to the Portland UP trunked system the other day in the conventional mode. Sounds like they are using it for switching type operations. We were unable to get all the settings right to be able to track it in the trunked mode. I don't have a digital scanner, but hope to get one soon.
Thanks
Jeremy
N7RYY
----- Original Message -----
From: "Phil Kane" <railfan@...>
To: "CalRailfan List" <calrailfans@onelist.com>;
<hamrailfans@yahoogroups.com>
Sent: Monday, February 17, 2003 9:35 AM
Subject: [hamrailfans] Re: Union Pacific RR to Throw Switch to P25 Digital

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> > Date: Sun, 16 Feb 2003 20:45:25 -0800
> > From: Smokey Behr <smokeybehr@...>
> > Subject: (fwd) Union Pacific RR to Throw Switch to P25 Digital
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722. Re: [hamrailfans] Re: Union Pacific RR to Throw Switch to P25 Digital

Yahoo group: hamrailfans
Date: 2003-02-17 19:48:25 UTC
From: Alan Kline
Topic: 720 Message: 722

On Mon, 17 Feb 2003, Phil Kane wrote:
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> No Big Deal. There already are scanners available for this type of
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So who's making digital scanners, and at what price range?

Alan
KN0H

723. Re: [hamrailfans] Re: Union Pacific RR to Throw Switch to P25 Digital

Yahoo group: hamrailfans
Date: 2003-02-17 21:38:43 UTC
From: Jeremy
Topic: 720 Message: 723

Bearcat BC250D and 785D are $375 or so each, plus you have to buy the digital card for about another $300.
Jeremy
----- Original Message -----
From: "Alan Kline" <kn0h@...>
To: <hamrailfans@yahoogroups.com>
Sent: Monday, February 17, 2003 11:48 AM
Subject: Re: [hamrailfans] Re: Union Pacific RR to Throw Switch to P25 Digital

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724. A Great site for Freq's

Yahoo group: hamrailfans
Date: 2003-04-03 02:31:06 UTC
From: Ron R - KD5CYW
Topic: 724 Message: 724

Well Howdy,

I was asked about this on another list I'm on (Railspot) about any WX net Freq's while they are
out railfanning or running around or at home in the area that they live or travel.

I went to the NWS Norman, OK web page and got the link, but it turned out bad. Well if you read
below of what part I sent, you will find the good kBrews link, always good to have some of the
freq's here in the area you live in the Scanner or Ham radio... it is a bad deal if your caught out
somewhere and the winds begin to blow, hail, rains hard, and all heck breaks loose. I emailed
Keith Brewster, and he sent me a reply, he did not know it was taken off of the OUN page...
so... he will email OUN and get that link hopefully back on. And of course... if you know of any
good radio freq's and storm nets to add to, email Keith and he will add them in, he did a lot of
work to make a great list like that, and he will give credit where credit is due only if you want to
be named.

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Email I sent to Railspot.....

About 2 weeks ago I posted a website for East of the Rockies for Skywarn and other radio freq's,
that turned out to be a bad link, well fret no more, here is the link, and I found it at the (can you
guess this?) Texas Skywarn Page.... ohhh well looking for something else, and I found the link.

http://www.skywarn-texas.org/

In the drop down menu, click on the kBrews WX spotter freq's, and your
there, last updated his on 11 Mar 03, so should be good to go.... that is
be safe, stay safe, and know where the Hidey Holes are if the sky falls out
on your with Hail and that other nasty stuff.

For you bookmarkers... here is kBrews link direct.
http://www.caps.ou.edu/~kbrews/spotfreq

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Thanks and have a safer week,

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725. Fw: RRs required to have "full radio coverage" ?

Yahoo group: hamrailfans
Date: 2003-05-21 18:29:24 UTC
From: Harry Marnell
Topic: 725 Message: 725

Here's something I'd never heard of, though that certainly doesn't mean anything. The requestor and railroad are "anonymous" for now...

hm

----- Original Message -----
To: marnell@...
Sent: Wednesday, May 21, 2003 10:10
Subject: Re: Railroad Radio coverage

I have a question that's RR related that you might have the answer to.

At a northwest area shortline they don't have any transmitters along the line, just the one in the yard office and there are several spots along the line where they don't have communications using RR radios and rely on NexTel for backup. As I recall there is a very substantial penalty from AAR if a RR does not have 100 percent radio coverage. Is that true for a short line or would the NexTel as a backup be acceptable?

[Non-text portions of this message have been removed]

726. Fw: Latest Regarding AB-441 - Nevada

Yahoo group: hamrailfans
Date: 2003-05-29 19:09:30 UTC
From: Harry Marnell
Topic: 726 Message: 726

----- Original Message -----
From: Dick Flanagan
To: CVRC Reflector ; Nevada Ham Reflector ; Lyon County ARES ; Nevada ARES
Sent: Thursday, May 29, 2003 11:41
Subject: [NvHam] Latest Regarding AB-441

This is the current information I am receiving from Carson City:

"The speaker and law enforcement are trying to hold their ground somewhat on this although they are willing to concede to an insertion in that section somewhat to the effect that there would have to be serious intent to conspire, or do harm with the knowledge and publication of these freqs. It would shift the burden of proof more onto the legal system or law enforcement. This is a possible fall back position if we can't get the horses to delete sub f from the section.
"How would this affect things? There is quite a bit of email coming in and that will help. Keep it coming."

The "speaker" being referred to, above, is the bill's author, Speaker of the Assembly Richard Perkins <rperkins@...> who, as a matter of courtesy and protocol, should be involved in any amendments to the bill.

What Speaker Perkins and his law enforcement advisors don't seem to understand is that this frequency information is in the public domain. Anyone can go to the FCC web site http://wireless.fcc.gov/uls/ and in about three minutes call up complete frequency information on every public service transmitter in the State of Nevada!

The ideal solution would still be to remove paragraph (f) entirely. If that can't be done, then an explicit exclusion should be made to not restrict the availability or use of information derived from Federal sources and there should be no restrictions on *any* information pertaining to amateur radio operations as defined by 47 CFR Part 97, regardless of source.

You can make your opinion known to the State Legislature at http://www.leg.state.nv.us/72nd/opinions2003/index.cfm and specify AB441. Indicate you are "Against" the bill and under Comments, write "Remove Section 21 Subsection 2 Paragraph (f)."

Also telephone or send an e-mail to your State Senator. You can find their address at http://www.leg.state.nv.us/72nd/Legislators/Senators/slist.cfm

Also telephone or send an e-mail to members of the State Finance Committee. You can find their addresses at http://www.leg.state.nv.us/72nd/Committees/S_Committees/FIN.cfm and their individual e-mail addresses are:

William Raggio <wraggio@...>
Raymond Rawson <rrawson@...>
Dean Rhoades <drhoads@...>
Barbara Cegavske <bcegavske@...>
Sandra Tiffany <stiffany@...>
Bob Coffin <bcoffin@...>
Bernice Mathews <bmathews@...>

Please include Speaker of the Assembly Richard Perkins
<rperkins@...> in your comments.

Again, we need to respectfully ask that AB-441 Section 21 Subsection 2
Paragraph (f) be removed.

73, Dick
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Dick Flanagan W6OLD NV SM
E-mail: w6old@...

NvHam mailing list
NvHam@...
http://mailman.qth.net/mailman/listinfo/nvham

[Non-text portions of this message have been removed]

727. New to the group

Yahoo group: hamrailfans
Date: 2003-06-27 16:49:40 UTC
From: N7DJR
Topic: 727 Message: 727

Hello everyone I just found this group today searching for information on the comminications systems used by UP. what a great conbimation two of my hobbies in one. I uploaed some pictures of a UP detector near my home QTH with more to come of trains and related stuff.
Dave
Gilbert,Az
UP MP 928.5 Phx Sub

728. Re: Union Pacific RR to Throw Switch to P25 Digital

Yahoo group: hamrailfans
Date: 2003-06-28 03:05:38 UTC
From: N7DJR
Topic: 720 Message: 728

Radio Shack as a new scanner coming out in Nov. that will run around $400 or so , you don't need to buy a card it's built in and it will truck 9600 systems unlike the 250D and it has better audio quality there is no need to ajust audio settings like the 250d and it's not made by Bearcat it's made by GRE. This radio will be the hottest thing in the scanner world
Dave

729. Re: [hamrailfans] New scanner

Yahoo group: hamrailfans
Date: 2003-07-05 23:45:23 UTC
From: Wil Brubaker
Topic: 729 Message: 729

"N7DJR" <N7DJR@...> writes:
Radio Shack has a new scanner coming out in Nov.

Brubaker states-----I have got a PRO-95. Works tons better than the 92, and has 1000 channels. That noted, I'm still trying to figure how to tune the Phila Police channels. Amtrak, no trubs, it's just there's no DX at all.

Yours trolley,
Wil Brubaker

730. San Pedro Trolley use radios?

Yahoo group: hamrailfans
Date: 2003-08-29 14:19:08 UTC
From: Harry Marnell
Topic: 730 Message: 730

Anybody know if the San Pedro Waterfront Trolley operation uses radios - and if so, the frequencies (or talkgroups)? It's somehow associated with the Port of Los Angeles... maybe it's on their trunked system? Or??

http://www.portoflosangeles.org/Community/waterfront.htm
http://tinyurl.com/llds

Harry

[Non-text portions of this message have been removed]

731. new to group

Yahoo group: hamrailfans
Date: 2003-08-30 12:47:18 UTC
From: eopman1
Topic: 731 Message: 731

Hello to all. I'm a new member of the group and live in Bowling Green, Kentucky where I enjoy monitoring CSX and RJ Corman. At home, I use an Icom PCR1000 and in the mobile, I use my 2m/440 rig, a Kenwood D700. Also have a Yaesu VR500 for operations on foot.

Michael, NU4Q

732. (no subject)

Yahoo group: hamrailfans
Date: 2003-09-02 22:48:50 UTC
From: Paydro In Alpha Beta Epsilon
Topic: 732 Message: 732

In April, 2002 the Metropolitan Transportation Development Board (MTDB) of San Diego awarded the contract for the supply and delivery of a new generation of light rail vehicles to Siemens Transportation Systems, Inc. This contract represents the seventh order to Siemens for light rail vehicles since the reintroduction of rail transit to San Diego in 1980. The new light rail vehicles will be low-floor and thereby introduce a more modern and convenient vehicle technology to San Diego. Although San Diego affectionately calls its light rail system the "trolley", the features of the system are typical of modern rail transit and not the streetcar trolleys of the early 1900's.

The procurement of these new low-floor vehicles coincides with the construction of a new extension of the present light rail system. The Mission Valley East extension will connect the present Blue Line through the Mission Valley with the Orange Line in Grossmont via San Diego State University. This six-mile extension will include San Diego's first tunnel and tunnel station underneath the University. Revenue service for the new line is planned for 2005.

San Diego's low floor trolley represents the second order to Siemens of its AVANTO/S70 low-floor light rail vehicle platform after the Houston contract in 2001. Unique for the San Diego order is the decision by the MTDB to stay with a vehicle front-end design resembling the current fleet of Siemens SD100 vehicles.

The vehicles will be bi-directional three-section vehicles 26.4 m in length over anti-climbers with seating for 68 passengers. In addition to regular passenger seating the vehicles will also provide spaces for up to 4 wheelchairs. San Diego expects to greatly increase its operational performance by reducing the use of vehicle-side wheelchair lifts currently on the vehicle fleet.

As expected the new low-floor vehicles must be operationally compatible with San Diego's existing fleet of 71 U2 vehicles and 52 SD100 vehicles. The top speed will be 88.5 kph with the standard U.S. acceleration and deceleration rates of 1.34m/s2. The vehicles will operate with a nominal line voltage of 600VDC. The propulsion will be provided by two roof-mounted Siemens IGBT inverter units powering two bi-motor power trucks utilizing Siemens integrated AC drives. The vehicle will also utilize an MVB (Multi-Vehicle Bus) network based on the TCN (Train Communication Network) system for vehicle monitoring and diagnostics.

The operator's cab will be 1600 mm in length and therefore be much shorter than the modern sloped front end of the Houston S70. Nonetheless the San Diego S70 cab will utilize the same wrap-around console design and cabinet arrangement as the Houston S70 vehicle. San Diego will be also be using the more traditional external side mirrors.

The vehicle structure will be identical to the Houston S70 with the exception of the integration of the new cab style. The structure has been designed to meet the 2g buff strength requirements currently mandated by law in California. San Diego will also utilize the fiberglass body side panel pultrusions of the AVANTO/S70 platform. As with the current fleet of vehicles the AVANTO/S70 is designed to negotiate an minimum operating curve radius

of 25 m.

The passengers will be riding in a vehicle with many updated features. The passenger information system will provide automatic voice and visual messages. The interior and exterior LED destination signs will provide the passengers with upcoming station information. The vehicle will be fully compliant with the U.S. Americans with Disability Assistance (ADA) regulations. The current bench seating of the San Diego vehicles will be replaced with new individual seating on the new vehicles. To keep the passengers comfortable in the sunny California weather each vehicle is equipped with two air conditioning units utilizing the latest environmentally compatible coolant.

In order to make best use of the benefits of the low-floor design and not impact the existing system infrastructure the vehicles will utilize four extendable bridgeplates at the center door openings. This optional feature is different than the Houston S70 design, which uses a hydraulic load leveling system to match the required platform height. The door system will utilize sliding plug doors at each doorway as opposed to the existing bi-folding doors in the current fleet.

The first of these AVANTO/S70 vehicles for San Diego are planned for delivery in the summer of 2004. This initial order from San Diego is for eleven (11) vehicles, however plans exist to gradually modernize the entire fleet with these new low-floor vehicles of the twenty-first century.

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[Non-text portions of this message have been removed]

733. Just wondering who it was.....

Yahoo group: hamrailfans
Date: 2003-09-10 22:11:50 UTC
From: Ron R (KD5CYW)
Topic: 733 Message: 733

I forgot on which list who asked me about Ham Radio License, and what was the advantage of having it.... well not really sure which list it was from, so, I'm doing this as a blanket coverage.... but here is a very good example.

73's,
Ron R., de KD5CYW
Altus, OK

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http://www.arrl.org/news/stories/2003/09/10/3/?nc=1
Court kicks New York ham's "police radio" case: A New York court has dismissed a misdemeanor charge against ARRL member Richard C. "Dick" Lalone, KC5GAX, for violating ?397 of that state's Vehicle and Traffic Law. That section prohibits individuals other than law officers from equipping their vehicles with radios "capable of receiving signals on the frequencies allocated for police use" without first securing a permit. The section, which also prohibits knowingly interfering with police transmissions, contains an explicit exemption for "any person who holds a valid amateur radio operator's license . . . and who operates a duly licensed portable mobile transmitter and in connection therewith a receiver or receiving set on frequencies exclusively allocated . . . to duly licensed radio amateurs." In his nearly 1300-word decision, Judge John J. Hallet called ?397 "probably the most poorly drafted section of the Vehicle and Traffic Law." While noting that the rationale behind the statute was to keep criminals from monitoring police calls, he said it was clear the legislature never intended the provisions of ?397 from applying to licensed Amateur Radio operators, and he dismissed the charge August 5. Susan Terry, KF4SUE, a former New York assistant attorney general, represented Lalone. ARRL President Jim Haynie, W5JBP, ARRL General Counsel Chris Imlay, W3KD, and ARRL Regulatory Information Specialist John Hennessee, N1KB, provided advice or assistance to Lalone.

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734. Sacramento area action

Yahoo group: hamrailfans
Date: 2003-10-05 21:26:02 UTC
From: Gary Hayes
Topic: 734 Message: 734

Any ham related railfanning going on in this area?

KG6SMX

735. Re: Black Hills Central Railroad Special Event

Yahoo group: hamrailfans
Date: 2003-11-14 00:30:46 UTC
From: Phil Kane
Topic: 735 Message: 735

On Thu, 13 Nov 2003 13:41:18 -0500, Robert Schoenfeld wrote:

>According to QST Amatuer Radio magazine a special event station was run
>by 4 amateur radio clubs in South Dakota at the Black Hills Central
>Railroad. Two of the employees (volunteers) were amatuer radio operators
>Roger K0ROG, a train host and Butch N0DUX a fireman. Jiggs WA0FGV
>demostrated American Morse using vintage telegraph equiptment

American Morse is alive and well.....

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73 de K2ASP - Phil Kane - Beaverton, Oregon
PNW Milepost 754 -- Tillamook District

736. Re: [hamrailfans] Re: Black Hills Central Railroad Special Event

Yahoo group: hamrailfans
Date: 2003-11-14 05:38:44 UTC
From: Neil McKie
Topic: 735 Message: 736

Hey Phil,

The Samuel F. B. Morse Telegraph Club (Portland, Oregon version)
will have its annual meeting April 24, 2004. If you are interested,
please remind me from time to time and I'll let you know where / time.

Neil McKie - WA6KLA

Phil Kane wrote:
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> 73 de K2ASP - Phil Kane - Beaverton, Oregon
> PNW Milepost 754 -- Tillamook District
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737. Hamrailfans Moderation Change ADMIN NOTE

Yahoo group: hamrailfans
Date: 2003-11-21 03:10:17 UTC
From: David Epling
Topic: 737 Message: 737

Listers,

This list more than others has been getting a higher than average number of porn spammers joining the list, we catch them in message moderation so you do not see the message. However, the amount of spammers joining has made that method time exhausting as we have to go to the list page, deny the message and then ban the spammer.

I have decided to cut out the middle man, and now all new memberships will need to be approved, this way we can deny membership to the porn spammers. They are REAL REAL obvious in thier E-mail addresses they use so it will not be difficult to stop them before they even join.

So what will this do to you who are already members? Absolutely NOTHING, But spare you the possibility that we may accidently approve a message we intended to delete.

I appreciate your understanding in this.

David Epling
Hamrailfans Listowner

738. AAR gets 220 MHz Channels

Yahoo group: hamrailfans
Date: 2003-11-25 00:46:01 UTC
From: Phil Kane
Topic: 738 Message: 738

220 MHz is alive and well for railroad use.

The Federal Communications Commission (FCC) granted the Association of American Railroads (AAR) authority to take over and use ten narrowband channels in the 220 MHz former ham band to develop and implement a nationwide open-standard system for Portable Locomotive Control Technology (PLCT) - the "formal" name for the next generation of RCL. In its application, AAR stated that it expects to have this need for 300 railyards in the next 3 years.

The channels involved are: 220.1025 MHz 221.1025 MHz
220.1075 221.1075
220.1125 221.1125
220.1175 221.1175
220.1225 221.1225

No doubt this will use digital encoding. As usual, The Big Emm is moaning and groaning because they don't have anything on the shelf yet.

The FCC document reference is:

http://hraunfoss.fcc.gov/edocs_public/attachmatch/DA-03-3749A1.*

* = doc for Word document
pdf for Adobe PDF document
txt for plain-text document.

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Phil Kane - K2ASP -- Beaverton, Oregon
PNW Milepost 754 -- Tillamook District

739. ADMIN NOTE - PLEASE READ

Yahoo group: hamrailfans
Date: 2003-12-05 06:25:14 UTC
From: David Epling
Topic: 739 Message: 739

EFFECTIVE IMMEDIATELY

ALL new memberships will be approved by a member of the moderation team. We have been intercepting on the average of 1 porn spammer a day. Porn Spammers are real easy to identify in that there is a combination of 12 randomly generated letters, or a rather blatant message in the E-mail address alone.

We appreciate your understanding

Hamrailfans Moderation Team

David Epling, Harry Marnells, Smokey Behr

740. Re: [Railroad-Radio-Communications] Common 2-Way frequencies

Yahoo group: hamrailfans
Date: 2003-12-12 20:53:40 UTC
From: Harry Marnell
Topic: 740 Message: 740

Yep, those are the ham freqs used here on the left coast, Andy. And John Marcel, I think your list is great too... not sure if other freqs may be in use somewhere, but I've not seen anything adopted as a standard.

Seems to me it would be ideal to have a "universal" list of all these freqs (or whichever are decided upon). Serious fans could program ALL the freqs into a scanner, regardless of the trasnsmitter they have, if any, and be "in the know." Even crossband comms would be possible: if you're not a ham, you could listen on the ham freqs but TX on MURS or FRS, for example.

I'm cc:ing this to two other railroad/radio lists.

Harry
http://users.snowcrest.net/marnells/4449.htm <~~ SP4449 on the High Line, 1999... and there were a slew of radio-equipped fans for that chase weekend.

----- Original Message -----
From: "Andrew Mueller" <amueller@...>
To: <Railroad-Radio-Communications@yahoogroups.com>
Sent: Friday, December 12, 2003 12:28
Subject: Re: [Railroad-Radio-Communications] Common 2-Way frequencies

See my web page for the "Nationwide" Ham frequencies for train watching....at least that's how they were told to me.
www.execpc.com/~amueller

Enjoy

Andy

At 01:47 PM 12/12/2003 -0500, you wrote:
>Another Rail Communications list I'm on brought up the possibility of
>common railfan 2-way frequencies to use when meeting up (on purpose or
by
>chance) w/other railfans; Similar to what amateur radio already has.

>If possible, I'd like to see just ideas on what's here as I've already
>seen every conceivable argument for every frequency & legal issue under
>the sun and if you'd like to read it all, I can give you the other
lists
>name (Off this list) and you can read them.
>
>Anyway let me know what you think of a common set of recommended (NOT
Must

>Use) frequencies.
>
>Railfan-1 154.570
>Railfan-2 151.880
>Railfan-3 462.6125
>Railfan-4 462.6375
>CB Ch-10
>
>Primary PL-100.0
>Secondary PL-156.7
>Primary DPL-D152
>Secondary DPL-D025
>
>The VHF is part of MURS and UHF is FRS Ch-3/4. The primary PL's came
from
>the Ham Radio standard. NONE of these frequencies require a license. I
can
>explain in more detail if anyone wants. But hopefully it won't digress
>here. Seems this list is pretty quiet with only pertinent posts so I'm
>guessing any replies will be critically looked, but w/out unnecessary
debate.
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>Thanks for reading this.
>John Marcel
>Concord, NH Fire Dispatch
>K1FDD / WPXA902

741. Re: [hamrailfans] Re: [Railroad-Radio-Communications] Common 2-Way frequencies

Yahoo group: hamrailfans
Date: 2003-12-13 00:59:11 UTC
From: Phil Kane
Topic: 740 Message: 741

On Fri, 12 Dec 2003 12:53:40 -0800, Harry Marnell wrote:

>Even crossband comms would be possible: if you're not a ham, you could
>listen on the ham freqs but TX on MURS or FRS, for example.

That's borderline "one-way" transmissions which is not permitted in
the ARS. Neither is cross-banding (repeating) with another radio
service.

We gotta' figure out a better way.

>I'm cc:ing this to two other railroad/radio lists.

C U there.....

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Phil Kane - K2ASP -- Beaverton, Oregon
PNW Milepost 754 -- Tillamook District

742. Re: [hamrailfans] Re: [Railroad-Radio-Communications] Common 2-Way frequencies

Yahoo group: hamrailfans
Date: 2003-12-13 03:15:51 UTC
From: Neil McKie
Topic: 740 Message: 742

What are you trying to accomplish?

Neil - WA6KLA

Phil Kane wrote:
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> C U there.....
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> --
> Phil Kane - K2ASP -- Beaverton, Oregon
> PNW Milepost 754 -- Tillamook District
>

743. Scanners at Rat Shack

Yahoo group: hamrailfans
Date: 2004-01-07 17:42:38 UTC
From: Ron R (KD5CYW)
Topic: 743 Message: 743

FYI....

On sale now at Radio Shack..
Pro-94 (Cat # 20-524) 1000chl truncking scanner, $129.99

New Pro-96 (Cat # 20-526) 5500chl APCO-25 digi (no digi card needed, built in), and all mode truncking too, $499.99

You can download all info at www.radioshack.com, search via cat #.

73's,
Ron R., de KD5CYW
Altus, OK

744. Houston area ham radio swap meet Saturday

Yahoo group: hamrailfans
Date: 2004-02-24 22:40:43 UTC
From: Howard Bingham
Topic: 744 Message: 744

All:

For those interested in Ham radio, or just seeking more information, the Brazos Valley Amateur Radio Club (BVARC) is conducting a swap meet this Saturday, February 28, 2004 at the Sugar Land Community Center (Across the street from the Sugar Land Post Office, 1 block south of the Imperial Sugar plant on US 90A (UP Glidden Sub action can be observed from the back parking lot.).

If you want to take your Tech class VE exam, or upgrade a current license, the examination will take place at this event.

There will be tables of used ham equipment available for sale, as well as a number of ham radio equipment vendors for those seeking NEW radios & equipment..

For details about this event, click this URL: <http://www.hal-pc.org/~bvarc>

Howard Bingham

745. Re: [hamrailfans] Houston area ham radio swap meet Saturday

Yahoo group: hamrailfans
Date: 2004-02-25 01:00:39 UTC
From: Neil McKie
Topic: 744 Message: 745

What state is that in?

I am in Oregon - where are you?

73,

Neil McKie - WA6KLA

Howard Bingham wrote:
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> Howard Bingham
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746. Re: [hamrailfans] Houston area ham radio swap meet Saturday

Yahoo group: hamrailfans
Date: 2004-02-25 02:46:08 UTC
From: Howard Bingham
Topic: 744 Message: 746

At 05:00 PM 2/24/2004 -0800, you wrote:

> What state is that in?
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> I am in Oregon - where are you?
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> 73,
>
> Neil McKie - WA6KLA
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OOps, forgot to mention: TEXAS...

Sugar Land is about 30 miles SW of downtown Houston..

The location is more obvious if the provided link is clicked..

Howard Bingham

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> >
> > Howard Bingham
> >
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747. Re: [hamrailfans] Houston area ham radio swap meet Saturday

Yahoo group: hamrailfans
Date: 2004-02-25 03:08:22 UTC
From: Neil McKie
Topic: 744 Message: 747

Oh ... Texas ... last time I was in Texas was ... in ... 1985??

As one of the guys said ... once ... two sure things in life
'Death and Texas...'

I may be visiting there again in late May - early June 2005 ...

73,

Neil - WA6KLA

Howard Bingham wrote:
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> At 05:00 PM 2/24/2004 -0800, you wrote:
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> > What state is that in?
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748. Fw: [ARRL] FCC to Deregulate Amateur Radio by 2008

Yahoo group: hamrailfans
Date: 2004-04-02 00:55:21 UTC
From: Harry Marnell
Topic: 748 Message: 748

AMATEUR RADIO OPERATORS MIXED ON DEREGULATION ORDER

In the latest round of conservative-fueled deregulation, the Federal Communications Commission has given notice that as of January 1, 2008, the Amateur Radio Service will cease to exist and be freed of all Commission oversight. The move follows phasing out of the FCC's Enforcement Bureau next year, and will require that the amateur radio community continue to enforce its implied policy of self-policing. (eHam)

http://www.eham.net/articles/8063

[Non-text portions of this message have been removed]

749. Re: [hamrailfans] Fw: [ARRL] FCC to Deregulate Amateur Radio by 2008

Yahoo group: hamrailfans
Date: 2004-04-02 03:11:44 UTC
From: Fbs1050@aol.com
Topic: 748 Message: 749

Oooh...

That is one MEAN prank. :-)

[Non-text portions of this message have been removed]

750. Re: [hamrailfans] Fw: [ARRL] FCC to Deregulate Amateur Radio by 2008

Yahoo group: hamrailfans
Date: 2004-04-02 22:31:02 UTC
From: Phil Kane
Topic: 748 Message: 750

On Thu, 1 Apr 2004 16:55:21 -0800, Harry Marnell wrote:

>AMATEUR RADIO OPERATORS MIXED ON DEREGULATION ORDER
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>In the latest round of conservative-fueled deregulation, the Federal
>Communications Commission has given notice that as of January 1, 2008,
>the Amateur Radio Service will cease to exist and be freed of all
>Commission oversight. The move follows phasing out of the FCC's
>Enforcement Bureau next year, and will require that the amateur radio
>community continue to enforce its implied policy of self-policing.
>(eHam)

Nice April Fool joke.

But your timing was a bot off. We expect to see major changes in
the Enforcement Bureau's field presence in about three or four years
when a majority of the experienced field agents and managers hit
retirement eligibility. There being no replacements trained for
many years, another round of disaster is expected to take place.

THAT is no April Fool joke. Remember you heard it here first.

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73 de K2ASP - Phil Kane
"Been there ...." -- FCC District Director (Retired)

From a Clearing in the Silicon Forest
Beaverton (Washington County) Oregon

Retired and loving every minute of it....
Work was getting in the way of my hobbies

751. Fwd: RS: Stolen Equipment

Yahoo group: hamrailfans
Date: 2004-04-03 20:15:12 UTC
From: Howard Bingham
Topic: 751 Message: 751

FYI:

At swap meets, be on the lookout for this stolen Ham gear..

Earl Needham (KD5XB) guesses this equipment may be south of the border by now, but would appreciate any assistance in recovery..

Howard Bingham

>To: needhame1@...
>From: Earl Needham <needhame1@...>
>Date: Fri, 02 Apr 2004 11:31:06 -0800
>Subject: RS: Stolen Equipment
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> I know some of you are going to get this multiple times, my
> apologies for
>that.
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> On Monday, March 22, I went to my truck and found all my radio
> equipment
>gone. I wish you all would keep an eye out for it. I'd have sent this
>sooner, but my computer has been down for two weeks.
>
> Equipment included the following:
>
> Yaesu FT-1500M serial number available later (it's in the truck)
> Icom IC-2100H serial number 039209
> Garmin GPS-2+, with one of the "Ebay special" amplified antennas
> Kantronics KPC-3
> HamHUD
> Cobra 29 CB
>
> Distinctive feature: the KPC-3 is stuck to the bottom of the
> FT-1500M,
>and the M is stuck to the bottom of the IC-2100H, using the "Supermount"
>tape that Radio Shack sells. Also, I had to replace the HamHUD display,
>and it now has a blue display instead of the original green one. Callsign
>in the TNC and 'HUD was KD5XB-10. And finally, the 'HUD is actually the
>iteration called HudVEE, similar to the one shown at
>http://www.ke4nyv.com/hudpics/kd7tahv1.jpg
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> Thanks for any help,
> Earl
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>Earl Needham, KD5XB, Clovis, New Mexico DM84jk
>SETI@Home: 11411WU/7.4yrs
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752. Stolen ham gear

Yahoo group: hamrailfans
Date: 2004-04-03 15:44:55 UTC
From: Earl Needham
Topic: 752 Message: 752

I posted this to several other lists last night, but I want to get this word out here, too. Yes, I used it to monitor RR comms at times.

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Thanks for any help,
Earl

Earl Needham, KD5XB, Clovis, New Mexico DM84jk
SETI@Home: 11411WU/7.4yrs

753. Slow list...

Yahoo group: hamrailfans
Date: 2004-07-07 16:00:34 UTC
From: Earl Needham
Topic: 753 Message: 753

This list is a little slow, isn't it?

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Earl

Earl Needham, KD5XB, Clovis, New Mexico DM84jk
SETI@Home: 11643WU/7.56yrs

754. Re: [hamrailfans] Slow list...

Yahoo group: hamrailfans
Date: 2004-07-07 15:20:34 UTC
From: Harry Marnell
Topic: 753 Message: 754

Yup. Pretty quiet. I'm also on the Railroad-Radio-Communications yahoogroup, and one other RR/comms list and it's been dead too. I guess we won't get busy til they start switching over to APCO P25 digital ;-)

Harry /N6URU
http://users.snowcrest.net/marnells/digital-scanner.htm <~~ Digital Scanners Info

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----- Original Message -----
From: "Earl Needham" <needhame1@...>
To: <hamrailfans@yahoogroups.com>
Sent: Wednesday, July 07, 2004 09:00
Subject: [hamrailfans] Slow list...>
> This list is a little slow, isn't it?
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> Earl

755. Fwd: RS: Truck Wreck on the DGNO

Yahoo group: hamrailfans
Date: 2004-07-07 19:00:47 UTC
From: Earl Needham
Topic: 755 Message: 755

OK, just to create some discussion, what would YOU have done when directory assistance didn't get the message through? Tune the 2-meter rig to 160.whatever and call the train directly? I'd have been sorely tempted.

Earl

>I had to pick up a client at Love Field in Dallas this morning and was on
>the way back to Greenville when I saw dust and smoke on the I30 East/West
>Causeway just west of Rockwall, Texas. Apparently, a truck lost control
>of its load and crashed through the guardrail on the westbound lanes,
>careened across the tracks and came to rest on the north side of the DGNO
>tracks.
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>Of course directory assistance could not give me a good number for the
>DGNO in Richardson. They were good, however, in "connecting me at no
>additional charge" to a fax line, a line that was out of service and to
>one that is not answered. I finally call RailSpotter Nathan to report the
>incident. He did via the Blacklands Railroad in Sulphur Springs,
>Texas. The westbound freight was in Rockwall and headed down the hill
>when the DGNO crew was finally notified.

756. Re: [hamrailfans] Slow list...

Yahoo group: hamrailfans
Date: 2004-07-07 15:22:27 UTC
From: Kenton A. Hoover
Topic: 753 Message: 756

The day the music died? :-)

On Jul 7, 2004, at 8:20, Harry Marnell wrote:

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> yahoogroup, and one other RR/comms list and it's been dead too. I
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> we won't get busy til they start switching over to APCO P25 digital ;-)
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> From: "Earl Needham" <needhame1@...>
> To: <hamrailfans@yahoogroups.com>
> Sent: Wednesday, July 07, 2004 09:00
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757. RE: [hamrailfans] Fwd: RS: Truck Wreck on the DGNO

Yahoo group: hamrailfans
Date: 2004-07-07 18:49:20 UTC
From: Jeremy Reese
Topic: 755 Message: 757

I have ridden a lot of Wisconsin Central trains over the years and had a few talks with crews about this type of idea. When giving conductors rides and having them see my 2m Mobile, or having an HT in the cab of the engine, they ask if I could talk to them. I tell them one cut diode I could, then tell them about the laws, my amateur license being revoked, possible prison time, loss of equipment and the like. The crews know that I wouldn't do anything dumb, that I wouldn't go by the yard and say, "Ok switch, back five to a joint." and trap a conductor between cars, but it could be done and that is why the laws are there. But they were leaning towards calling them and telling them that I was waiting at the switch to run the conductor forward in the truck, or more importantly, if there was an emergency, a hotbox or something with the tracks. I don't have my rigs modified for extended range, the possibility would be tempting.

One engineer did tell me something though. If there was an emergency, stand next to the tracks facing the train, and run your arm back and forth like swinging a golf club. The WC, not sure if just company policy or written in GCOR, was required to stop if someone was flagging the train. That could have been used to notify the train below, but you would have had to know where the train was. One other thing, WC and the new owner, CN, has bumper stickers on each bell crossing giving the number to report emergencies (malfunctions at crossings) but could be used to report the incident also.

I am not trying to preach that emergency wasn't present to use any means necessary to contact the train to save property and more importantly, life. You would have to be ready to provide proof that the actions taken was completely necessary. Personally, if I was next to the truck and saw the headlight coming around the bend, I am not sure what I would do, only that I couldn't get that diode out in time.

73,

Jeremy Reese, N8YP
MP133.25 on the CN Ore Sub
http://www.geocities.com/jreese12380/index.html

President
Delta County Amateur Radio Society
http://www.geocities.com/k8zas/index.html

-----Original Message-----
From: Earl Needham [mailto:needhame1@...]
Sent: Wednesday, July 07, 2004 3:01 PM
To: hamrailfans@yahoogroups.com
Subject: [hamrailfans] Fwd: RS: Truck Wreck on the DGNO

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>of its load and crashed through the guardrail on the westbound lanes,
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>one that is not answered. I finally call RailSpotter Nathan to report the
>incident. He did via the Blacklands Railroad in Sulphur Springs,
>Texas. The westbound freight was in Rockwall and headed down the hill
>when the DGNO crew was finally notified.

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758. Re: [hamrailfans] Fwd: RS: Truck Wreck on the DGNO

Yahoo group: hamrailfans
Date: 2004-07-07 22:31:48 UTC
From: Phil Kane
Topic: 755 Message: 758

On Wed, 07 Jul 2004 12:00:47 -0700, Earl Needham wrote:

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> OK, just to create some discussion, what would YOU have done when
>directory assistance didn't get the message through? Tune the 2-meter rig
>to 160.whatever and call the train directly? I'd have been sorely tempted.

Can you count 9-1-1 ? Let the professionals handle it. All 9-1-1
centers have the hot line numbers of railroads passing through their
territory.

In my former profession of FCC enforcement supervisor I would not
rule that your use of 160.whatever was an "emergency" as long as other
means of communication (such as 9-1-1 or a ham phone patch) were
available. There is case law to back me up on this.

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Phil Kane -- Beaverton, Oregon
PNW Milepost 754 -- Tillamook District

Retired and loving every minute of it....
Work was getting in the way of my hobbies

759. Re: [hamrailfans] Fwd: RS: Truck Wreck on the DGNO

Yahoo group: hamrailfans
Date: 2004-07-08 04:10:55 UTC
From: Smokey Behr
Topic: 755 Message: 759

I have the numbers of all of the railroads in our area programmed into speed dial on my cell phone. I've called them on a number of occasions, mainly for grade crossing malfunctions, but I've called for trespassers on the train, or walking in the gauge oblivious to the world.

I also wrote a treatise several years ago about how to stop a train for emergency services personnel, so that they would know exactly how to do it safely. I'm sure that I could find it and repost it if requested.

On Wed, 07 Jul 2004 15:31:48 -0700 (PDT), "Phil Kane" <railfan@...> wrote:

>On Wed, 07 Jul 2004 12:00:47 -0700, Earl Needham wrote:
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>> OK, just to create some discussion, what would YOU have done when
>>directory assistance didn't get the message through? Tune the 2-meter rig
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John "Smokey Behr" Gleichweit FF1/EMT, CCNA, MCSE
IPN-CAL023 N5VZQ UP Fresno Sub MP183.5
List Owner x6, Moderator x4.

760. Re: [hamrailfans] Slow list...

Yahoo group: hamrailfans
Date: 2004-07-08 05:54:39 UTC
From: Neil McKie
Topic: 753 Message: 760

Hello, just nothing to report ...

Neil - WA6KLA

Harry Marnell wrote:
>
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> yahoogroup, and one other RR/comms list and it's been dead too. I guess
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> ----- Original Message -----
> From: "Earl Needham" <needhame1@...>
> To: <hamrailfans@yahoogroups.com>
> Sent: Wednesday, July 07, 2004 09:00
> Subject: [hamrailfans] Slow list...>
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761. Re: [hamrailfans] Fwd: RS: Truck Wreck on the DGNO

Yahoo group: hamrailfans
Date: 2004-07-08 16:18:09 UTC
From: Howard Bingham
Topic: 755 Message: 761

At 03:31 PM 7/7/2004 -0700, you wrote:
>On Wed, 07 Jul 2004 12:00:47 -0700, Earl Needham wrote:
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> >
> > OK, just to create some discussion, what would YOU have done when
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> Phil Kane -- Beaverton, Oregon
> PNW Milepost 754 -- Tillamook District
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What about those without cell phones but licensed ham operators located in remote areas where there is NO 911..!

On the flip side, aren't most modern 2 meter transceivers blocked from frequencies outside normal 2 meter operations. (While many transceivers can receive outside the normal bandwidth, few radios can access 160 frequencies. If I understand the instructions of my 2 Meter equipment correctly.).

73's

Howard Bingham
KE5APJ
On the Sunset Route in SW Houston, Tx.

762. Re: [hamrailfans] Fwd: RS: Truck Wreck on the DGNO

Yahoo group: hamrailfans
Date: 2004-07-09 00:48:06 UTC
From: Phil Kane
Topic: 755 Message: 762

On Thu, 08 Jul 2004 11:18:09 -0500, Howard Bingham wrote:

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>frequencies outside normal 2 meter operations. (While many transceivers can
>receive outside the normal bandwidth, few radios can access 160
>frequencies. If I understand the instructions of my 2 Meter equipment
>correctly.).

Yes - blocked from transmitting, that is.

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Phil Kane - K2ASP -- Beaverton, Oregon
PNW Milepost 754 -- Tillamook District

763. Re: Stockton Saturday

Yahoo group: hamrailfans
Date: 2004-10-09 20:53:03 UTC
From: Harry Marnell
Topic: 763 Message: 763

Hi Gary,

I are one, N6URU.. but in Humboldt County alongside the abandoned Arcata
& Mad River, and the all-but-defunct Northwestern Pacific.

There's also a yahoogroup specifically for "our kind of people"
hamrailfans@yahoogroups.com
http://groups.yahoo.com/group/hamrailfans/

There used to be a railfan net on 145.33 or 147.33 on Wednesdays off Mt
Diablo, but I think it's a thing of the past.

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Harry

----- Original Message -----
From: "Homeless-railfan" <homeless-railfan@...>
To: <Calrailfans@yahoogroups.com>
Cc: "Fletcher, Robert SPK" <Robert.Fletcher@...>
Sent: Saturday, October 09, 2004 13:40
Subject: Re: [Calrailfans] Stockton Saturday

>
> Speaking of railfan hams; who on the list beside myself is one, and
> are there any nets one might be able to get into?
>
> Gary, KG6SMX

764. Re: [hamrailfans] Re: Stockton Saturday

Yahoo group: hamrailfans
Date: 2004-10-10 04:18:09 UTC
From: Kg6smx
Topic: 763 Message: 764

Thanks Harry, seems I already belong to this list.

----- Original Message -----
From: "Harry Marnell" <marnell@...>
To: <Calrailfans@yahoogroups.com>
Cc: <hamrailfans@yahoogroups.com>
Sent: Saturday, October 09, 2004 1:53 PM
Subject: [hamrailfans] Re: Stockton Saturday

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> Hi Gary,
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765. Re: [hamrailfans] Re: Stockton Saturday

Yahoo group: hamrailfans
Date: 2004-10-11 02:25:05 UTC
From: Neil McKie
Topic: 763 Message: 765

Me too ...

Neil - WA6KLA

Kg6smx wrote:
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> ----- Original Message -----
> From: "Harry Marnell" <marnell@...>
> To: <Calrailfans@yahoogroups.com>
> Cc: <hamrailfans@yahoogroups.com>
> Sent: Saturday, October 09, 2004 1:53 PM
> Subject: [hamrailfans] Re: Stockton Saturday
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> > From: "Homeless-railfan" <homeless-railfan@...>
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> > Sent: Saturday, October 09, 2004 13:40
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766. Re: [hamrailfans] Re: Stockton Saturday

Yahoo group: hamrailfans
Date: 2004-10-12 01:04:16 UTC
From: Smokey Behr
Topic: 763 Message: 766

I are one, too. Just look at the .sig for all the info.

On Sun, 10 Oct 2004 19:25:05 -0700, Neil McKie <n.mckie@...>
wrote:

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> Me too ...
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> Neil - WA6KLA
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John "Smokey Behr" Gleichweit FF1/EMT, CCNA, MCSE
IPN-CAL023 N6FOG UP Fresno Sub MP183.5
List Owner x6, Moderator x4.

767. McCloud RR Steam ?

Yahoo group: hamrailfans
Date: 2004-10-16 18:37:37 UTC
From: Harry Marnell
Topic: 767 Message: 767

Did I see something about a steam (?) excursion from McCloud to Burney & return this weekend?

Looking for something to chase before the weather goes south.

harry

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768. Fw: Hams talk trains on Sunday nights 21:00 E.T.

Yahoo group: hamrailfans
Date: 2004-11-07 23:02:38 UTC
From: Harry Marnell
Topic: 768 Message: 768

----- Forwarded Message -----
Originally From: "Bote Rail" <bote_rail@...>
To: <serails@yahoogroups.com>

Hams talk trains on the RailHam Roundtable every Sunday night
on IRLP reflector 9454 at 21:00 Eastern Time.

This is not a net, just an informal rag chew between guys
who like trains, whether it's models, prototypes, passenger,
freight, U.P., BNSF, CSX, NS, F.E.C., Amtrak, LIRR, steam
tourist operations, you name it.

Don't wait for anyone to start talking, just throw out
your callsign and ask who else is listening to get things started.

For example, Phil, N1BOW lives right close to the NorthEast Corridor
in Connecticut and recalls the passenger days of the NYNH&H
when an Amtrak job rolls by. He's usually monitoring at start time.

We have heard from several employees of the railroads, too,
so you never know who will check in with some neat insight
into rail operations.

For more info point your web browser to:
http://members.trainorders.com/boteman/railhamnet.html

and it will tell you all about it.

Thanx!

Bote
WD4OXQ
F.E.C. milepost 339.3
RailHam Net on I.R.L.P. reflector 9454 Sunday night 21:00 ET
http://members.trainorders.com/boteman/railhamnet.html
http://pages.prodigy.net/bote

769. Re: [hamrailfans] Fw: Hams talk trains on Sunday nights 21:00 E.T.

Yahoo group: hamrailfans
Date: 2004-11-08 03:06:41 UTC
From: Neil McKie
Topic: 768 Message: 769

Would you know of an Echolink entry location for the same thing?

Thank you,

Neil - WA6KLA

Harry Marnell wrote:
>
> ----- Forwarded Message -----
> Originally From: "Bote Rail" <bote_rail@...>
> To: <serails@yahoogroups.com>
>
> Hams talk trains on the RailHam Roundtable every Sunday night
> on IRLP reflector 9454 at 21:00 Eastern Time.
>
> This is not a net, just an informal rag chew between guys
> who like trains, whether it's models, prototypes, passenger,
> freight, U.P., BNSF, CSX, NS, F.E.C., Amtrak, LIRR, steam
> tourist operations, you name it.
>
> Don't wait for anyone to start talking, just throw out
> your callsign and ask who else is listening to get things started.
>
> For example, Phil, N1BOW lives right close to the NorthEast Corridor
> in Connecticut and recalls the passenger days of the NYNH&H
> when an Amtrak job rolls by. He's usually monitoring at start time.
>
> We have heard from several employees of the railroads, too,
> so you never know who will check in with some neat insight
> into rail operations.
>
> For more info point your web browser to:
> http://members.trainorders.com/boteman/railhamnet.html
>
> and it will tell you all about it.
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> Thanx!
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> Bote
> WD4OXQ
> F.E.C. milepost 339.3
> RailHam Net on I.R.L.P. reflector 9454 Sunday night 21:00 ET
> http://members.trainorders.com/boteman/railhamnet.html
> http://pages.prodigy.net/bote
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770. I'm new here

Yahoo group: hamrailfans
Date: 2004-11-22 20:28:32 UTC
From: Jim Buscher
Topic: 770 Message: 770

Hi everyone,

I just joined this group and look forward to meeting all of you. My call sign is WB4IUN. I live in Falls Church, VA (DC Metro area).

JR, WB4IUN

771. RE: [hamrailfans] I'm new here

Yahoo group: hamrailfans
Date: 2004-11-22 22:28:17 UTC
From: Karina Rossi
Topic: 770 Message: 771

Welcome Jim, On my way to Fairbanks, Alaska and read your message last night in Fort Nelson, BC. I have HF mobile for 14 and 17m. Please contact me at mamamute@... and see if we can set up a schedule sometime during the drive. Also, welcome to take a look at my webpage http://www.geocities.com/al7ls. 73s for now and again thanks and welcome, Bruce al7ls

>From: "Jim Buscher" <fallsgulchrr@...>
>Reply-To: hamrailfans@yahoogroups.com
>To: hamrailfans@yahoogroups.com
>Subject: [hamrailfans] I'm new here
>Date: Mon, 22 Nov 2004 20:28:32 -0000
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772. Re: [hamrailfans] I'm new here

Yahoo group: hamrailfans
Date: 2004-11-23 02:20:17 UTC
From: John Beall
Topic: 770 Message: 772

Hi, I'am KA3USB From Germantown, Md

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> From: "Jim Buscher" <fallsgulchrr@...>
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773. Re: [hamrailfans] I'm new here

Yahoo group: hamrailfans
Date: 2004-11-23 06:46:40 UTC
From: Neil McKie
Topic: 770 Message: 773

I'm WA6KLA ... and I'm not from Germantown Md.

John Beall wrote:
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> Hi, I'am KA3USB From Germantown, Md
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> > JR, WB4IUN
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774. Re: [hamrailfans] I'm new here

Yahoo group: hamrailfans
Date: 2004-11-23 07:24:32 UTC
From: Harry Marnell
Topic: 770 Message: 774

I'm from McKinleyville, CA, And I'm not W6KLA.

harry / N6URU

----- Original Message -----
From: "Neil McKie" <n.mckie@...>
Subject: Re: [hamrailfans] I'm new here
>
> I'm WA6KLA ... and I'm not from Germantown Md.
>
> John Beall wrote:
>>
>> Hi, I'am KA3USB From Germantown, Md

775. Re: [hamrailfans] I'm new here

Yahoo group: hamrailfans
Date: 2004-11-23 13:15:48 UTC
From: Neil McKie
Topic: 770 Message: 775

Hello Harry,

I'm not from McKinleyville, CA nor am I W6KLA ... ;)

Good to see you on here - 73,

Neil - WA6KLA

Harry Marnell wrote:
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> I'm from McKinleyville, CA, And I'm not W6KLA.
>
> harry / N6URU
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> ----- Original Message -----
> From: "Neil McKie" <n.mckie@...>
> Subject: Re: [hamrailfans] I'm new here
> >
> > I'm WA6KLA ... and I'm not from Germantown Md.
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> > John Beall wrote:
> >>
> >> Hi, I'am KA3USB From Germantown, Md
>

776. Re: [hamrailfans] I'm new here

Yahoo group: hamrailfans
Date: 2004-11-23 15:53:57 UTC
From: Jimmie Buscher
Topic: 770 Message: 776

Hello guys,
I'm not W6KLA or N6ULU nor am I from McKinlyville, CA
Jim WB4IUN

Neil McKie <n.mckie@...> wrote:

Hello Harry,

I'm not from McKinleyville, CA nor am I W6KLA ... ;)

Good to see you on here - 73,

Neil - WA6KLA

Harry Marnell wrote:
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> ----- Original Message -----
> From: "Neil McKie" <n.mckie@...>
> Subject: Re: [hamrailfans] I'm new here
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777. Re: [hamrailfans] I'm new here

Yahoo group: hamrailfans
Date: 2004-11-23 16:01:05 UTC
From: Earl Needham
Topic: 770 Message: 777

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Geez, that's a mouthful! <G>

At 08:53 AM 11/23/2004, Jimmie Buscher wrote:

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> > Subject: Re: [hamrailfans] I'm new here
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778. Re: [hamrailfans] I'm new here

Yahoo group: hamrailfans
Date: 2004-11-23 20:38:29 UTC
From: Howard Bingham
Topic: 770 Message: 778

Why don't we all do an intro...?

I'm not new here & not any of the previously listed licensees.

Howard Bingham, on the Sunset Route in SW Houston, Tx.
KE5APJ

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At 07:53 AM 11/23/2004 -0800, you wrote:

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> >
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> >
> > ----- Original Message -----
> > From: "Neil McKie" <n.mckie@...>
> > Subject: Re: [hamrailfans] I'm new here
> > >
> > > I'm WA6KLA ... and I'm not from Germantown Md.
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> >
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779. Re: [hamrailfans] I'm new here

Yahoo group: hamrailfans
Date: 2004-11-24 04:19:52 UTC
From: Neil McKie
Topic: 770 Message: 779

Congrats Jim ... ;)

Neil

Jimmie Buscher wrote:
>
> Hello guys,
> I'm not W6KLA or N6ULU nor am I from McKinlyville, CA
> Jim WB4IUN
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> > From: "Neil McKie" <n.mckie@...>
> > Subject: Re: [hamrailfans] I'm new here
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780. Re: [hamrailfans] IRLP (was "I'm new here"

Yahoo group: hamrailfans
Date: 2004-11-24 04:33:12 UTC
From: Harry Marnell
Topic: 780 Message: 780

Neil McKie wrote:
> Hello Harry, > I'm not from McKinleyville, CA nor am I W6KLA ... ;) >
> Good to see you on here - 73, > Neil - WA6KLA > Harry Marnell wrote:
>> I'm from McKinleyville, CA, And I'm not W6KLA. > harry / N6URU

Hey Neil and the group,

Not to interrupt the thread or anything, but was it you, Neil, who posted
recently about a railfan net on IRLP ?

I haven't tuned in to the online version or IRLP in a year or more, but
there is a radio node here in Humboldt County (WB6HII's). Should I be able
to access the thing one or both ways? What's the scoop again on it?

Harry / N6URU
w/poor memory and many deleted emails
http://harrymarnell.com/4449.htm <~~ On the way to Railfair '99

781. Re: [hamrailfans] I'm new here

Yahoo group: hamrailfans
Date: 2004-11-24 04:48:29 UTC
From: Neil McKie
Topic: 770 Message: 781

Okie - dokie ... ?

Neil McKie - WA6KLA

Same call 44+ years ... primary interest is VHF/UHF FM (of course)

Re trains ... Like to watch all of them ... from the tiny ones to
the slightly larger that make *lots* of serious noise.

I don't collect trains ... like some people do. My 'collection'
is tech manuals for Motorola/GE/RCA/other stupf ...

Does this answer some of your questions?

73,

Neil

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782. Re: [hamrailfans] IRLP (was "I'm new here"

Yahoo group: hamrailfans
Date: 2004-11-24 05:27:27 UTC
From: Neil McKie
Topic: 780 Message: 782

Hello Harry ...

Harry Marnell wrote:
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> Neil McKie wrote:
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> > ... ;)
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>
> Hey Neil and the group,
>
> Not to interrupt the thread or anything, but was it you, Neil, who
> posted recently about a railfan net on IRLP ?

Nope ... not me ... have never been on an ILRP ...

There is a very local Echolink thing near here ... but no ILRP.

> I haven't tuned in to the online version or IRLP in a year or more,
> butthere is a radio node here in Humboldt County (WB6HII's). Should
> I be able to access the thing one or both ways? What's the scoop
> again on it?

T'wasn't me ... sorry.

> Harry / N6URU
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> http://harrymarnell.com/4449.htm
<~~ On the way to Railfair '99

Neil

783. Re: [hamrailfans] IRLP (was "I'm new here"

Yahoo group: hamrailfans
Date: 2004-11-24 09:59:44 UTC
From: Steven Passmore
Topic: 780 Message: 783

It's Sunday Evenings on reflector 9454.
Check out http://members.trainorders.com/boteman/railhamnet.html for more
info

I don't think the online version is working right now but you should be able
to connect via a node.

Steve Passmore, KF6FKK

----- Original Message -----
From: "Harry Marnell" <marnell@...>
To: <hamrailfans@yahoogroups.com>
Sent: Tuesday, November 23, 2004 8:33 PM
Subject: Re: [hamrailfans] IRLP (was "I'm new here"

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> Neil McKie wrote:
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784. Re: I'm new here

Yahoo group: hamrailfans
Date: 2004-11-25 00:01:44 UTC
From: Richard Bush
Topic: 770 Message: 784

Hi, my name is Richard Bush, N6RFB and I live in Corona, California. I'm married to a very tolerant wife and have two adult children. Nearest railroad is the BNSF San Bernardino Sub (goes right through town). I'm about 30 minutes from Cajon but haven't been up there lately due to the fire closures. I usually hang out at the Fullerton depot on Friday nights with a group of other railfans (both ham and non-ham). Come on down, would like to meet some other railhams in So. Cal. We're down on the far east end of the Metrolink parking lot.

73,
N6RFB

785. Are there REALLY hams who communicate with railroaders?

Yahoo group: hamrailfans
Date: 2004-11-30 19:51:38 UTC
From: Jim Buscher
Topic: 785 Message: 785

Hey,

I've seen many suggested frequencies on 2 and 440 to communicate
with railroaders who are hams?

I'd like to get in contact with any railroader on Amtrak, CSX,
Norfolk Southern, etc. in the DC metro area who are hams.

73's
Jim WB4IUN

786. History of Orig. NSRY

Yahoo group: hamrailfans
Date: 2004-12-14 17:07:05 UTC
From: Jim Buscher
Topic: 786 Message: 786

Does anyone know where I can find or can you suggest a good book on the History of the original Norfolk Southern Ry - You know, the one which ran from Norfolk to Charlotte and many points in between.

787. Re: [hamrailfans] History of Orig. NSRY

Yahoo group: hamrailfans
Date: 2004-12-14 22:31:28 UTC
From: Wil Brubaker
Topic: 786 Message: 787

Woulsd this be the Norfolk AND Southern Railway?
----- Original Message -----
From: Jim Buscher
To: hamrailfans@yahoogroups.com
Sent: Tuesday, December 14, 2004 12:07 PM
Subject: [hamrailfans] History of Orig. NSRY

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the History of the original Norfolk Southern Ry - You know, the one
which ran from Norfolk to Charlotte and many points in between.

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788. Winterail Bound?

Yahoo group: hamrailfans
Date: 2004-12-15 02:23:29 UTC
From: Richard Bush
Topic: 788 Message: 788

Anyone else here going to Winterail 2005? I ordered my tickets yesterday. Any suggestions on a friendly local open repeater and/or simplex frquency? It would be great to make contact with some follow hamrailfans. I was thinking about a ham get-together at the Stockton tower site. Maybe Friday nite prior or early Sunday after. What do you all think?

Richard Bush, N6RFB
Corona, California

789. Re: [hamrailfans] Winterail Bound?

Yahoo group: hamrailfans
Date: 2004-12-15 03:39:34 UTC
From: Neil McKie
Topic: 788 Message: 789

What/where is Winter-rail 2005?

If it snows on a train, does that make it winter?

Is Corona near a high-voltage source?

Neil - WA6KLA

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> Richard Bush, N6RFB
> Corona, California
>
>

790. Re: [hamrailfans] Winterail Bound?

Yahoo group: hamrailfans
Date: 2004-12-15 03:45:18 UTC
From: David Epling
Topic: 788 Message: 790

Winterail is a one day Multimedia show and swap meet, it is held in Stockton CA usually on the second Saturday in March. Altamont Press usually has the show information on this

----- Original Message -----
From: "Neil McKie" <n.mckie@...>
To: <hamrailfans@yahoogroups.com>
Sent: Tuesday, December 14, 2004 7:39 PM
Subject: Re: [hamrailfans] Winterail Bound?

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791. Re: [hamrailfans] Winterail Bound?

Yahoo group: hamrailfans
Date: 2004-12-15 03:58:27 UTC
From: Neil McKie
Topic: 788 Message: 791

Ok, thank you.

Was distantly hoping it might have been closer to the EmCommWest
in Reno in May ... but then it would be called Springrail. ;)

I think the list time I was intentionally in Stockton was 20??
years ago ...

Thanks for the info,

Neil - WA6KLA

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792. Re: [hamrailfans] Winterail Bound?

Yahoo group: hamrailfans
Date: 2004-12-15 04:10:21 UTC
From: Harry Marnell
Topic: 788 Message: 792

The Winterail 2005 page...
http://altamontpress.com/winterail/2005.html

73
Harry / N6URU

----- Original Message -----
From: "Neil McKie" <n.mckie@...>
To: <hamrailfans@yahoogroups.com>
Sent: Tuesday, December 14, 2004 19:58
Subject: Re: [hamrailfans] Winterail Bound?

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> in Reno in May ... but then it would be called Springrail. ;)
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793. Holidays

Yahoo group: hamrailfans
Date: 2004-12-20 15:49:17 UTC
From: Jim Buscher
Topic: 793 Message: 793

I wish to take this opportunity to wish everyone Happy Holidays.

I hope you all have a succesful and prosperous new year and let's hope 2005 is a great yeor for hammin' and 'training'.

I got the NS service bulletin announcing today they won't be running on Friday and Saturday. They'll start up again 2300 hours Saturday the 25th.

73's
Jim WB4IUN

794. Seasonings Greeted ...

Yahoo group: hamrailfans
Date: 2004-12-22 04:07:52 UTC
From: Neil McKie
Topic: 794 Message: 794

That is what I said ...

Seasonings Greeted ...

Regards to all,

Neil McKie / WA6KLA

795. Amateur Radio Depots on the Air

Yahoo group: hamrailfans
Date: 2005-01-09 20:53:36 UTC
From: rustdavid
Topic: 795 Message: 795

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796. Re: [hamrailfans] Amateur Radio Depots on the Air

Yahoo group: hamrailfans
Date: 2005-01-10 13:38:51 UTC
From: Neil McKie
Topic: 795 Message: 796

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Yahoo group: hamrailfans
Date: 2005-01-10 15:24:03 UTC
From: Jim Buscher
Topic: 795 Message: 797

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798. Re: [hamrailfans] Re: Amateur Radio Depots on the Air

Yahoo group: hamrailfans
Date: 2005-01-10 23:05:34 UTC
From: Neil McKie
Topic: 795 Message: 798

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799. Re: [hamrailfans] Re: Amateur Radio Depots on the Air

Yahoo group: hamrailfans
Date: 2005-01-10 23:49:15 UTC
From: Howard Bingham
Topic: 795 Message: 799

At 03:24 PM 1/10/2005 +0000, Jim Buscher wrote:

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Any ham with a mobile or HT should be able to cover most Amtrak depots in Texas, which are not far from linked repeaters..

Many Houston area railfans are also ham operators or are linked to a business radio network operated by the Gulf Coast Chapter NRHS, called RailNet.. Many carry railroad scanners & parek adjacent to the Amtrak Houston crew base while waiting on the Tri-weekly Sunset Ltd. (Regardless of how late it runs).

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800. Re: [hamrailfans] Re: Amateur Radio Depots on the Air

Yahoo group: hamrailfans
Date: 2005-01-11 04:53:08 UTC
From: Howard Bingham
Topic: 795 Message: 800

At 03:05 PM 1/10/2005 -0800, Neil McKie wrote:

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801. Re: [hamrailfans] Re: Amateur Radio Depots on the Air

Yahoo group: hamrailfans
Date: 2005-01-11 00:08:30 UTC
From: David L. Rust
Topic: 795 Message: 801

I have found the Hamsticks (single band) work about as well as anything I have tried for a mobile HF antenna.

I saw them at a hamfest new last Saturday for $10.95 each. Pretty good price and good way to get on HF Mobile.

A bumper mount or trailer mount works ok. I have a Blazer and mounted mine on a homemade bracket on the spare tire carrier. It takes a little "fiddling" with them to get them on a resonant frequency, of course it would be easy with an antenna analyzer, but I do it the old fashion way, move the stinger on them a little bit at a time.

Good luck, let me know if I can help anyone.
73
Dave

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802. Re: [hamrailfans] Re: Amateur Radio Depots on the Air

Yahoo group: hamrailfans
Date: 2005-01-11 00:10:27 UTC
From: David L. Rust
Topic: 795 Message: 802

Howard,

I am glad to see you have lots of interest in the Houston, TX area. I saw that Railnet site today. I'll go back and look at it again.

A linked repeater would certainly be the ticket. I hope you have more vhf/uhf activity in that area than we do. I have a 2 meter repeater and it like the rest of them here sits silent most of the time.

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803. Re: [hamrailfans] Re: Amateur Radio Depots on the Air

Yahoo group: hamrailfans
Date: 2005-01-11 05:15:34 UTC
From: David L. Rust
Topic: 795 Message: 803

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Yahoo group: hamrailfans
Date: 2005-01-11 09:13:23 UTC
From: Neil McKie
Topic: 795 Message: 804

I have seen variations of that trailer hitch mount assembly but, so
far, every version was a home-made device.

I will keep to myself on this one for a while yet.

I also have a SGC antenna tuner - which I bought several years ago
thinking I may be able to use it for this - once again, I am very
familiar with VHF/UHF antennas but know almost squat about anything
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Date: 2005-01-11 09:32:17 UTC
From: Howard Bingham
Topic: 795 Message: 805

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I am only on VHF & UHF, live in an apartment so no exterior antennas (Other than a couple of well hidden stealth antennas that work good on local VHF & UHF frequencies with an Icom W32A HT.).

My mobile rig is a Kenwood TM-G707A with a Hustler dual band mag mount antenna on my pickup which affords pretty good range with repeaters. (Salt Grass Link System & the Southwest Lynx System pretty much cover the entire state.).

One of these days I'll pass the code so I can get my General & get into HF,

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Howard Bingham
KE5APJ
Member: BVARC <http://www.hal-pc.org/~bvarc/>

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806. Re: Redmond Oregon depot

Yahoo group: hamrailfans
Date: 2005-01-12 12:03:58 UTC
From: Neil McKie
Topic: 806 Message: 806

More on the Redmond Oregon depot:

> Chris Stubblefield wrote:
>
> Redmond finds depot interest, but timing is off
>
> Ninety-three years ago stonemasons constructed Redmond, Oregon's
> rail passenger depot next to the tracks.
>
> Nearly six months ago, the city, using more than $900,000 in urban
> renewal funds, moved the building and refurbished it in its new
> location.
>
> While a number of parties have expressed interest in leasing the
> building in its new location on Airport Way near Wal-Mart, none of
> the interest has translated into a firm offer. Possibilities have
> included a Starbucks coffee shop, a McMenamin's brew pub and a
> couple of restaurants.
>
> The city is asking $1.50 to $2 per square foot to lease the
> 2,263-square-foot building, which would bring $33,945 to $45,260 in
> revenue per year. The rate is negotiable, based on tenant
> improvements such as floor covering and interior walls, said Bruce
> Kemp of Compass Commercial, the city's real estate agent of record.
>
> The amount is in line with other properties in the area, which are
> leasing for $1.50 and up, he said.
>
> The small size of the building is a bit of a limiting factor, Kemp
> said, but primarily the issue has been timing. He cited an example
> of a railroad-themed restaurant that expressed serious interest but
> is in the process of opening another restaurant right now.
>
> "They're just not ready (to lease) right now," Kemp said. He said
> he's talked to a number of businesses interested in the building,
> but is challenged by the city's quest for a business that is a good
> fit for the building and the community; one that maintains the
> historic nature of the building and allows public access.
>
> Completed in April 1912 for the Oregon Trunk Railroad, the tuff
> stone depot had sat vacant since the mid-1980s. Burlington Northern
> Santa Fe Railway wanted the building moved or demolished. A number
> of "save the depot" efforts over the years failed to get off the
> ground, so the city stepped in, buying the building for $1 with the
> proviso that it be moved from the site along the tracks between

> East Antler and Evergreen avenues.
>
> Initially, the city council was firm in its commitment to find
> someone to lease the space. However, there hasn't been any recent
> lease interest and only one long-term lease-purchase proposal from
> a mortgage company, said City Manager Mike Patterson.
>
> In response to the recent purchase proposal, the city council has
> decided it is open to the potential to sell as well as lease the
> depot, Patterson said.
>
> He added that the council does not want the historical nature of
> the building changed ? any sale would have to include strict deed
> restrictions.
>
> "We're looking at our options as we consider selling or leasing,"
> said Mayor Alan Unger.
>
> The challenge, he said, is "we saved the depot from destruction;
> now we need to get it occupied."
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> He added that it would be nice to be able to use some of the city's
> investment in the building for other urban renewal projects but it
> is important to the city council to maintain control over its uses.
>
> "We would like to have our cake and eat it, too," Unger said.
>
> He said the city should also consider finding a nonprofit group
> that can raise money to buy the building for a museum or similar
> use. -
>
> Trish Pinkerton, The Bend Bulletin,
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807. K2IRT

Yahoo group: hamrailfans
Date: 2005-01-17 00:49:34 UTC
From: wa2aqq
Topic: 807 Message: 807

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Bob WA2AQQ

808. Re: [hamrailfans] K2IRT

Yahoo group: hamrailfans
Date: 2005-01-17 10:45:55 UTC
From: Neil McKie
Topic: 807 Message: 808

January of February?

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809. Re: [hamrailfans] K2IRT

Yahoo group: hamrailfans
Date: 2005-01-17 15:37:47 UTC
From: Robert Schoenfeld
Topic: 807 Message: 809

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810. Re: [hamrailfans] K2IRT

Yahoo group: hamrailfans
Date: 2005-01-17 20:57:28 UTC
From: Neil McKie
Topic: 807 Message: 810

Found it.

Thanks,

Neil

Robert Schoenfeld wrote:
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> Neil McKie wrote:
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> > January of February?
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> February
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> > Neil - WA6KLA
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> > wa2aqq wrote:
> > >
> > > THis months QST has a full page of K2IRT the radio club of the NYAAC
> > > Trasnsit Authority with pictures of cars and a story of an operation
> > > on the 100th aniversary of the IRT and the subway
> > >
> > > 73
> > > Bob WA2AQQ
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811. Retired Transit worker

Yahoo group: hamrailfans
Date: 2005-02-16 19:44:31 UTC
From: wa3itz
Topic: 811 Message: 811

Hi, I am a retired NYCTA worker. Is this the group with the amature call K2IRT. If so Hi to all. This is WA3ITZ Don Mrozowicz (Doc) in PA.

812. Re: [hamrailfans] Retired Transit worker

Yahoo group: hamrailfans
Date: 2005-02-16 20:03:16 UTC
From: David L. Rust
Topic: 811 Message: 812

Hi Don, from Dave, W0DLR in SW Missouri.

We'll correspond with you a little more later, got to do some picture stuff
on the computer right quick.
73
Dave

813. Re: [hamrailfans] Retired Transit worker

Yahoo group: hamrailfans
Date: 2005-02-16 21:09:58 UTC
From: Phil Kane
Topic: 811 Message: 813

On Wed, 16 Feb 2005 19:44:31 -0000, wa3itz wrote:

>Hi, I am a retired NYCTA worker. Is this the group with the amature
>call K2IRT. If so Hi to all. This is WA3ITZ Don Mrozowicz (Doc) in
>PA.

Hi Doc. No, this group existed long before K2IRT was formed. That
club is exclusively for TA folks, or so I was told when I inquired
about membership.

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Phil Kane - K2ASP -- Beaverton, Oregon
PNW Milepost 754 -- Tillamook District
(Confirmed Subway Nut - Member. ERA,NYD)

814. Re: [hamrailfans] Retired Transit worker

Yahoo group: hamrailfans
Date: 2005-02-16 23:33:06 UTC
From: Neil McKie
Topic: 811 Message: 814

Hi Phil,

The only rapid transit around here are the jack rabbits trying to
escape the rubber tired vehicles and an occasional dog.

73,

Neil - WA6KLA

Phil Kane wrote:
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> On Wed, 16 Feb 2005 19:44:31 -0000, wa3itz wrote:
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> Phil Kane - K2ASP -- Beaverton, Oregon
> PNW Milepost 754 -- Tillamook District
> (Confirmed Subway Nut - Member. ERA,NYD)
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815. Group Newbie

Yahoo group: hamrailfans
Date: 2005-02-22 00:33:18 UTC
From: Scott Vawter
Topic: 815 Message: 815

hello to all,

I just joined the group. I live in Joshua Tree, CA & work in the Coachella Valley. I do a lot of scanning (including railroads)& am a tech class operator. I'm looking forward to some interesting reading here & hopefully I can contribute some as well.

73! de W6SEV {Scott}
Joshua Tree, CA

816. Jefferson Davis' escape

Yahoo group: hamrailfans
Date: 2005-03-02 20:41:35 UTC
From: Jim Buscher
Topic: 816 Message: 816

Does anyone know what locomotive pulled the train from Richmond on which Jefferson Davis was aboard? Any info would be welcome such as road number, type, wheel arrangement, etc.

817. EchoLink

Yahoo group: hamrailfans
Date: 2005-03-15 19:33:48 UTC
From: Robert Schoenfeld
Topic: 817 Message: 817

CQ All Hams

I am proposing to start a railroad net on Echolink to meet once a week
If you dont have it get it at <www.echolink.org> If you need furthur
information E-mail privately

73 de Bob WA2AQQ

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818. Re: [hamrailfans] EchoLink

Yahoo group: hamrailfans
Date: 2005-03-17 21:57:15 UTC
From: gaffit
Topic: 817 Message: 818

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----- Original Message -----
From: "Robert Schoenfeld" <frank_james@...>

> CQ All Hams
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> I am proposing to start a railroad net on Echolink to meet once a week

Let me know what you come up with Bob. I run a node here in
Portola, CA., UPRR crew change point. I'm also an Engineer with
the UPRR...Node #20715...If I'm in town, I'll try and join...

73, Todd KH2TJ/6
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819. Re: [hamrailfans] EchoLink

Yahoo group: hamrailfans
Date: 2005-03-18 04:49:29 UTC
From: Robert Schoenfeld
Topic: 817 Message: 819

gaffit wrote:

>----- Original Message -----
>From: "Robert Schoenfeld" <frank_james@...>
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>>CQ All Hams
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>>I am proposing to start a railroad net on Echolink to meet once a week
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Found one W8EHH-R 2100 hrs edt

73 de Bob WA2AQQ

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820. Railroad Net on Echolink

Yahoo group: hamrailfans
Date: 2005-04-03 18:08:31 UTC
From: Robert Schoenfeld
Topic: 820 Message: 820

Sunday evening at 0100 Z on the W8EHH-R repeater a railroad net will be held all are invited We will cover everything from sightings to technical subjects

73 de Bob WA2AQQ

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821. Re: [hamrailfans] Railroad Net on Echolink

Yahoo group: hamrailfans
Date: 2005-04-03 20:58:31 UTC
From: Neil McKie
Topic: 820 Message: 821

You didn't happen to include the node number for this did you?

Neil - WA6KLA

Robert Schoenfeld wrote:
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> Sunday evening at 0100 Z on the W8EHH-R repeater a railroad net
> will be held all are invited We will cover everything from
> sightings to technical subjects
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> 73 de Bob WA2AQQ
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822. Echolink Rail Net

Yahoo group: hamrailfans
Date: 2005-04-17 23:18:11 UTC
From: Robert Schoenfeld
Topic: 822 Message: 822

Tonight at 8pm edt on the w8ehh-r repeater All subjects

73 de Bob WA2AQQ

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Version: 7.0.308 / Virus Database: 266.9.15 - Release Date: 4/16/2005

823. Re: [hamrailfans] Echolink Rail Net

Yahoo group: hamrailfans
Date: 2005-04-18 12:35:39 UTC
From: Neil McKie
Topic: 822 Message: 823

Got this e-mail message at 5:30am Monday morning ... Is the whatever going to happen Monday evening at 8pm your time (eastern) which is rush hour here (5pm)

And what is the number for the connect?

Thank you,

Neil - WA6KLA

Robert Schoenfeld wrote:
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> 73 de Bob WA2AQQ
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824. Re: [hamrailfans] Echolink Rail Net

Yahoo group: hamrailfans
Date: 2005-04-18 13:18:33 UTC
From: Robert Schoenfeld
Topic: 822 Message: 824

Neil McKie wrote:

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> whatever going to happen Monday evening at 8pm your time
> (eastern) which is rush hour here (5pm)
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> Thank you,
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> Neil - WA6KLA
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Sorry the net meets Sunday at 8pm edt on the W8EHH-R repeater we had 9
people last night and hope it grows exponentially Please feel free to
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73 de Bob WA2AQQ

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825. Re: [hamrailfans] Echolink Rail Net

Yahoo group: hamrailfans
Date: 2005-04-18 20:05:16 UTC
From: Neil McKie
Topic: 822 Message: 825

Good ... and bad.

Did you remember to introduce the connect to site number?

Neil - WA6KLA

Robert Schoenfeld wrote:
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> Neil McKie wrote:
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> > whatever going to happen Monday evening at 8pm your time
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826. HF on Amtrak?

Yahoo group: hamrailfans
Date: 2005-06-12 04:37:24 UTC
From: sachsarch
Topic: 826 Message: 826

taking Amtrak NYC to Seattle. Want to operate HF from deluxe bedroom car. FT857D, switching PS, tuner but WHAT ANTENNA? any ideas (wire taped to glass-very short dipole in a loop? Diagonal wire fed to tuner?) Not really interested in the repeater operations, would love to do 20 meters or?
Vy 73
Marv, K2IPH, sachsarch@...

827. Re: [hamrailfans] HF on Amtrak?

Yahoo group: hamrailfans
Date: 2005-06-12 13:28:23 UTC
From: Neil McKie
Topic: 826 Message: 827

You going to Seattle for the TCA Convention?

Neil - WA6KLA

sachsarch wrote:
>
> taking Amtrak NYC to Seattle. Want to operate HF from deluxe bedroom
> car. FT857D, switching PS, tuner but WHAT ANTENNA? any ideas (wire
> taped to glass-very short dipole in a loop? Diagonal wire fed to
> tuner?) Not really interested in the repeater operations, would love
> to do 20 meters or?
> Vy 73
> Marv, K2IPH, sachsarch@...
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828. Re: [hamrailfans] HF on Amtrak?

Yahoo group: hamrailfans
Date: 2005-06-12 15:59:18 UTC
From: Howard Bingham
Topic: 826 Message: 828

At 04:37 AM 6/12/2005 +0000, you wrote:
>taking Amtrak NYC to Seattle. Want to operate HF from deluxe bedroom
>car. FT857D, switching PS, tuner but WHAT ANTENNA? any ideas (wire
>taped to glass-very short dipole in a loop? Diagonal wire fed to
>tuner?) Not really interested in the repeater operations, would love to
>do 20 meters or?
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>Marv, K2IPH, sachsarch@...
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While I haven't tried it on a train, ATOC makes a suction cup adapter to hold VHF/UHF HT antennas, this could also be used with a scanner to monitor RR frequencies that are just above the 2 meter band on FRA frequencies. (This is marketed through Ham Radio Outlet stores & catalog for about $ 15.95 retail.).

The suction cup set up I use gets me to 2 meter/70cm repeaters from my apartment location about 4 - 5 miles from the closest 2 m repeater in Houston, Tx..

Howard Bingham, Houston, Tx.
KE5APJ

829. Re: [hamrailfans] HF on Amtrak?

Yahoo group: hamrailfans
Date: 2005-06-12 16:39:45 UTC
From: Phil Kane
Topic: 826 Message: 829

On Sun, 12 Jun 2005 10:59:18 -0500, Howard Bingham wrote:

>The suction cup set up I use gets me to 2 meter/70cm repeaters from my
>apartment location about 4 - 5 miles from the closest 2 m repeater in
>Houston, Tx..

That won't work worth beans on twenty (20) meters which is where
Marv wants to operate.

OTOH, working 20m from an inside an enclosed aluminum tube without
an external antenna is not too practical. Do you know what a 20m
"rubber duck" would look like if one would exist?

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Phil Kane - K2ASP -- Beaverton, Oregon
PNW Milepost 754 -- Tillamook District

830. Re: [hamrailfans] HF on Amtrak?

Yahoo group: hamrailfans
Date: 2005-06-12 12:05:31 UTC
From: Les Coburn, N9TRZ
Topic: 826 Message: 830

Marv,

That's a tough one, the loop may be your only alternative. It would be nice if they allow you on top to put up a long-wire (dream on), while I was in the AF we had a book having emergency comm and we would load our radio to a downspout (copper days). Even finding something like that would be tough, go with the loop and hope for the best.
I live in Montana and you'll probably be taking the Empire Builder through the 'Highline' along US-2 in northern Montana, beautiful scenery that gets better as you go west into the mountains. Good luck and have fun.

Les

----- Original Message -----
From: "sachsarch" <sachsarch@...>
To: <hamrailfans@yahoogroups.com>
Sent: Saturday, June 11, 2005 10:37 PM
Subject: [hamrailfans] HF on Amtrak?

> taking Amtrak NYC to Seattle. Want to operate HF from deluxe bedroom
> car. FT857D, switching PS, tuner but WHAT ANTENNA? any ideas (wire
> taped to glass-very short dipole in a loop? Diagonal wire fed to
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831. Re: [hamrailfans] HF on Amtrak?

Yahoo group: hamrailfans
Date: 2005-06-12 17:57:10 UTC
From: sachsarch@optonline.net
Topic: 826 Message: 831

The loop it is. Thanks, can't wait
marv

[Non-text portions of this message have been removed]

832. Re: [hamrailfans] HF on Amtrak?

Yahoo group: hamrailfans
Date: 2005-06-12 19:56:32 UTC
From: Howard Bingham
Topic: 826 Message: 832

At 09:39 AM 6/12/2005 -0700, Phil Kane wrote:
>On Sun, 12 Jun 2005 10:59:18 -0500, Howard Bingham wrote:
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> >The suction cup set up I use gets me to 2 meter/70cm repeaters from my
> >apartment location about 4 - 5 miles from the closest 2 m repeater in
> >Houston, Tx..
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> That won't work worth beans on twenty (20) meters which is where
> Marv wants to operate.
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> OTOH, working 20m from an inside an enclosed aluminum tube without
> an external antenna is not too practical. Do you know what a 20m
> "rubber duck" would look like if one would exist?
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> Phil Kane - K2ASP -- Beaverton, Oregon
> PNW Milepost 754 -- Tillamook District
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I was only suggesting 2 Meters or 70cm as an alternative..

Repeaters are located almost everywhere Amtrak runs & many I know use
2meter/70cm repeaters while near large cities on Amtrak routes.

A friend who has traveled to Los Angeles from Houston, Tx. indicates he was
not out of range of a VHF/UHF repeater the entire length of his trip on a
recent vacation, surely most locations along the route to Chicago have VHF
or UHF repeaters within proximity of rail lines.

Just a suggestion,

73's

Howard Bingham
KE5APJ

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833. IRLP Net

Yahoo group: hamrailfans
Date: 2005-06-13 21:10:19 UTC
From: Phil Kane
Topic: 833 Message: 833

I've logged on to the IRLP Ham Railfan Net/Group on IRLP Reflector 9454 the last two Sundays (9 pm ET, 8 pm CT, 7 pm MT, 6 pm PT) and no one else was on. I hung around for 15 minutes and then logged off.

Am I wasting my time?

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Phil Kane - K2ASP -- Beaverton, Oregon
PNW Milepost 754 -- Tillamook District

834. Re: [hamrailfans] HF on Amtrak?

Yahoo group: hamrailfans
Date: 2005-06-17 23:24:49 UTC
From: Earl Needham
Topic: 826 Message: 834

At 10:39 AM 6/12/2005, Phil Kane wrote:
>On Sun, 12 Jun 2005 10:59:18 -0500, Howard Bingham wrote:
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> Marv wants to operate.
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> OTOH, working 20m from an inside an enclosed aluminum tube without
> an external antenna is not too practical. Do you know what a 20m
> "rubber duck" would look like if one would exist?

Seems to me that Yaesu or somebody made one for Dayton a few years ago, to go with one of the small HF portables. If I remember right, it was for 40-meters, and was maybe 4 inches in diameter, and about a foot long. It's been a while, my memory might have got a few bit errors!

Earl

Earl Needham, KD5XB, Clovis, New Mexico DM84jk
http://kd5xb-2.no-ip.info

835. Re: [hamrailfans] IRLP Net

Yahoo group: hamrailfans
Date: 2005-06-20 11:55:41 UTC
From: gaffit
Topic: 833 Message: 835

----- Original Message -----
From: "Phil Kane" <railfan@...>
>
> I've logged on to the IRLP Ham Railfan Net/Group on IRLP Reflector
> 9454 the last two Sundays (9 pm ET, 8 pm CT, 7 pm MT, 6 pm PT) and
> no one else was on. I hung around for 15 minutes and then logged
> off.
>
I was playing around with a new laptop earlier today and came across
an IRLP net with guys talking about railroading/railfanning on this
reflector:
http://live.vkradio.com:7170/listen.pls

If any of you want to use Windoze Media Player to listen in, you have
to drop off the /listen.pls for it to work. At least that's what I had to
do to get it to play on my laptop using WMP 9....

I don't have IRLP, so just the reason for listening to it on a
Windoze box...

Later,
Todd
UP Hogger

836. Re: [hamrailfans] IRLP Net

Yahoo group: hamrailfans
Date: 2005-06-21 13:56:11 UTC
From: Neil McKie
Topic: 833 Message: 836

Would any of that be available on Echolink?

Neil - WA6KLA

gaffit wrote:
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> From: "Phil Kane" <railfan@...>
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> Windoze box...
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> Later,
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837. Re: [hamrailfans] IRLP Net

Yahoo group: hamrailfans
Date: 2005-06-22 00:41:14 UTC
From: Robert Schoenfeld
Topic: 833 Message: 837

Neil McKie wrote:

> Would any of that be available on Echolink?
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> Neil - WA6KLA
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We have raifan net on sunday at 9pm edt on the W8EHH repeater on echolink

73 de Bob WA2AQQ

>gaffit wrote:
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838. Re: [hamrailfans] IRLP Net

Yahoo group: hamrailfans
Date: 2005-06-22 11:01:53 UTC
From: Neil McKie
Topic: 833 Message: 838

Do you know the multi-digit code to do a connect to?

Neil

Robert Schoenfeld wrote:
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> Neil McKie wrote:
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> > Neil - WA6KLA
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839. Field Day Ops

Yahoo group: hamrailfans
Date: 2005-06-22 13:05:28 UTC
From: John Gleichweit
Topic: 839 Message: 839

Are there any groups that are going to be operating from rail-related
sites that you folks know of?

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John "Smokey Behr" Gleichweit FF1/EMT, CCNA, MCSE
IPN-CAL023 N6FOG UP Fresno Sub MP183.5 ECV1852
List Owner x6, Moderator x4 CA-OES 51-507

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840. Re: [hamrailfans] Field Day Ops

Yahoo group: hamrailfans
Date: 2005-06-22 17:14:46 UTC
From: Phil Kane
Topic: 839 Message: 840

On Wed, 22 Jun 2005 06:05:28 -0700, John Gleichweit wrote:

>Are there any groups that are going to be operating from rail-related
>sites that you folks know of?

There will be a combined FD operation by my club (Oregon Tualatin Valley ARC), the Washington County ARES/RACES group (of which I am a member) and the host Columbia County ARES/RACES group in Anderson Park, Vernonia, Oregon....described as "just off the tracks" of the P&W "A-Line" which, if we're lucky, may have one train over the weekend.

You have to take what you get.....

--
Phil Kane - K2ASP -- Beaverton, Oregon
PNW Milepost 754 -- Tillamook District

841. Re: [hamrailfans] Field Day Ops

Yahoo group: hamrailfans
Date: 2005-06-22 20:33:49 UTC
From: Howard Bingham
Topic: 839 Message: 841

At 06:05 AM 6/22/2005 -0700, John Gleichweit wrote:
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There is a club at the Texas State Railroad in Rusk, Tx. that supposedly will be operating from the Texas State Railroad I believe in a caboose.. I'll have to look up what the club call is on the Railspot list archive.

In Houston, Tx. all clubs I am aware of will be conducting their Field Day from remote locations in parks or similar settings with exception of ECHO (Emergency Communications Ham Operators www.w3eco.org) which will be operating from the emergency communications center at the Houston Red Cross.

Howard Bingham
KE5APJ
Member BVARC www.hal-pc.org/~bvarc/
Member ECHO www.w5eco.org

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842. Re: [hamrailfans] IRLP Net

Yahoo group: hamrailfans
Date: 2005-06-22 20:57:54 UTC
From: Robert Schoenfeld
Topic: 833 Message: 842

Neil McKie wrote:

> Do you know the multi-digit code to do a connect to?
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> Neil
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73 de Bob WA2AQQ

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843. Fwd: Re: Wanted: Texas State Railroad, ham radio field day call sign..

Yahoo group: hamrailfans
Date: 2005-06-22 23:52:50 UTC
From: Howard Bingham
Topic: 843 Message: 843

Here is information about the Texas State Railroad "Field Day" location..

Howard Bingham
KE5APJ

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>From: "Ron R (KD5CYW)" <rroman@...>
>To: <railspot@yahoogroups.com>, "Howard Bingham" <howardb@...>
>Subject: Re: Wanted: Texas State Railroad, ham radio field day call sign..
>Date: Wed, 22 Jun 2005 16:37:11 -0500
>X-Mailer: Microsoft Outlook Express 6.00.2900.2180
>
>
>From... http://www.fieldday05.com/radio.asp
>This Field Day celebration is special -- we will be running stations on
>emergency power in the Texas
>State Railroad park (callsign W5R), but also a railroad mobile station on
>the Texas State Railroad
>(callsign, N5R)
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>73's,
>Ron R., de KD5CYW
>Altus, OK
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>----- Original Message -----
>From: "Howard Bingham" <howardb@...>
>To: <railspot@yahoogroups.com>
>Sent: Wednesday, June 22, 2005 3:50 PM
>Subject: RS: Wanted: Texas State Railroad, ham radio field day call sign..
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>
>I recall reading on RS a while back that a Ham Club at Texas State Railroad
>will be operating from the museum on Field Day this weekend..
>
>Anyone know the call sign..?
>
>Howard Bingham
>
>--
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844. Re: [hamrailfans] IRLP Net

Yahoo group: hamrailfans
Date: 2005-06-23 11:30:00 UTC
From: Neil McKie
Topic: 833 Message: 844

Thank you.

Neil - WA6KLA

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845. Special Events Station

Yahoo group: hamrailfans
Date: 2005-06-25 13:56:37 UTC
From: Les Coburn, N9TRZ
Topic: 845 Message: 845

I know it's a little early for this but if I wait I'll forget to pass it on (bottom of page).

http://www.w9joz.org/w9jozFrameset-1.htm

Les

[Non-text portions of this message have been removed]

846. Re: [hamrailfans] Special Events Station

Yahoo group: hamrailfans
Date: 2005-06-25 17:43:49 UTC
From: Neil McKie
Topic: 845 Message: 846

Probably good information ... if I lived in Indiana. ;)

I live in Oregon.

"Les Coburn, N9TRZ" wrote:
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> I know it's a little early for this but if I wait I'll forget
> to pass it on (bottom of page).
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> http://www.w9joz.org/w9jozFrameset-1.htm
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> Les
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> [Non-text portions of this message have been removed]
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> ---------- Yahoo! Groups Sponsor ----------~-->
> Tired of hearing the same songs over and over?

I never get tired - I counter that perceived problem by listening
to both classical music and opera.

Neil McKie - WA6KLA

847. New member

Yahoo group: hamrailfans
Date: 2005-08-15 04:04:12 UTC
From: Joe Nolan
Topic: 847 Message: 847

I am KB7WDI and live in La Grande, OR which if you don't know has UP tracks dividing the city along with Northern Idaho tracks nearby. I have rode CNR, TH&B, and Amtrak but I of late have been serenaded to sleep with the melodic horns of UP. Half of my lodge brothers are UP retirees.

Joe

848. RE: [hamrailfans] New member

Yahoo group: hamrailfans
Date: 2005-08-15 06:35:44 UTC
From: John Gleichweit
Topic: 847 Message: 848

Welcome aboard!

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John "Smokey Behr" Gleichweit FF1/EMT, CCNA, MCSE
IPN-CAL023 N6FOG UP Fresno Sub MP183.5 ECV1852
List Owner x6, Moderator x4 CA-OES 51-507

-----Original Message-----
From: hamrailfans@yahoogroups.com [mailto:hamrailfans@yahoogroups.com]On
Behalf Of Joe Nolan
Sent: Sunday, August 14, 2005 9:04 PM
To: hamrailfans@yahoogroups.com
Subject: [hamrailfans] New member

I am KB7WDI and live in La Grande, OR which if you don't know has UP
tracks dividing the city along with Northern Idaho tracks nearby. I
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sleep with the melodic horns of UP. Half of my lodge brothers are UP
retirees.

Joe

849. Re: [hamrailfans] New member

Yahoo group: hamrailfans
Date: 2005-08-16 04:25:44 UTC
From: Neil McKie
Topic: 847 Message: 849

La Grande Oregon is a very fun place to ... visit.

The truck stop east of town had a good restaurant too.

Neil - WA6KLA

Joe Nolan wrote:
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> retirees.
>
> Joe
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850. Re: [hamrailfans] Digest Number 413

Yahoo group: hamrailfans
Date: 2005-08-16 15:08:37 UTC
From: Joseph Nolan
Topic: 850 Message: 850

Hi there Neil,

Yes, I think I know of the Truck Stop but can't remember the name of it. It is on the way to Union alongside the UP tracks.

Joe-KB7WDI

hamrailfans@yahoogroups.com wrote:

There is 1 message in this issue.

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1. Re: New member
From: Neil McKie

Message: 1
Date: Mon, 15 Aug 2005 21:25:44 -0700
From: Neil McKie
Subject: Re: New member

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Neil - WA6KLA

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http://mail.yahoo.com

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851. Re: [hamrailfans] Digest Number 413

Yahoo group: hamrailfans
Date: 2005-08-16 18:02:54 UTC
From: Neil McKie
Topic: 850 Message: 851

Yup, that's the one ... (I think)

When I used to live in the greater Portland area (22 years) I frequently visited the La Granda area - as it was just fine for serious train watching. One time, I wanted to bring my spectrum analyzer with me so I could sort out some of the other train stuff.

If I ever seriously get into that again, I will try to arrange with the motel owner to bring 20-30' of Rohn 25G tower, set it up by the motel room, load with a couple of antennas and stay a few days. One of those antennas might be a Celwave Superstation Master - is 22' feet long.

Also, while living in the Portland area, a friend and I liked to 'chase' UP trains. One time, we chased one from Portland Oregon to Nampa Idaho.

73 ... happy trains ...

Neil McKie - WA6KLA

Joseph Nolan wrote:
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852. Re: [hamrailfans] Digest Number 413

Yahoo group: hamrailfans
Date: 2005-08-16 20:09:14 UTC
From: Howard Bingham
Topic: 850 Message: 852

At 11:02 AM 8/16/2005 -0700, Neil McKie wrote:

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> frequently visited the La Granda area - as it was just fine for
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> Neil McKie - WA6KLA
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In Spring, Tx. there is a restaurant called "Puffabelly's" that is located right at the junction of two major rail lines, an outdoor porch permits good views & the UP Spring dispatch center is nearby, additionally there are several repeaters located nearby that permit local hams the ability to pass on rail spotting information to others within about a 50 mile circumfrence..

At Flatonia, Tx. 109 miles west of Houston, there is a pavillion next to the tracks to observe trains from, again served by a 70cm linked repeater.

Linked repeaters in Southeast Texas may be found at:
<http://www.saltgrasslinksystem.org> .

Howard Bingham
KE5APJ

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> > > Joe
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853. Wow a Challenger

Yahoo group: hamrailfans
Date: 2005-09-24 17:24:50 UTC
From: Joe Nolan
Topic: 853 Message: 853

La Grande railroad fans got to see a real live UP Challenger steam locomotive Friday & Saturday along with several Passenger cars. They were scheduled to leave around noon Saturday. Too bad I was short of gas money & gas.

Joe Nolan-KB7WDI

854. Re: [hamrailfans] Wow a Challenger

Yahoo group: hamrailfans
Date: 2005-09-25 11:58:19 UTC
From: David Rust
Topic: 853 Message: 854

Hi Joe,
Where was the UP Challenger? We saw it a couple years ago in Coffeyville, KS on its way home. Quite a site.
Dave near Branson, Mo.

[Non-text portions of this message have been removed]

855. Re: [hamrailfans] Wow a Challenger

Yahoo group: hamrailfans
Date: 2005-09-25 13:05:05 UTC
From: David Rust
Topic: 853 Message: 855

Joe, I went to UP website, they are tied up in Boise Idaho for the day looks like.

The UP has an interesting site where you can watch its movements via their GPS updates when it starts up again. I plan to look at it Monday and see whats going on. Looks like around 8am PDT they will head on west.

Dave

[Non-text portions of this message have been removed]

856. Re: [hamrailfans] Wow a Challenger

Yahoo group: hamrailfans
Date: 2005-09-25 19:58:45 UTC
From: Neil McKie
Topic: 853 Message: 856

Hello Joe,

Happy Birthday (2 days from now) ... |<8<P

The UP Challenger steam Locomotive was in Oakridge and went to
Eugene, September 7th ... was there until Friday the 9th.

Then was in Portland from the 10th - 22nd.

http://www.uprr.com/aboutup/excurs/schedule.shtml

Near Bend and just west of the BNSF tracks occasionally listening
to 161.100 MHz,

73 / Neil - WA6KLA

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857. Re: Wow a Challenger

Yahoo group: hamrailfans
Date: 2005-09-27 00:55:12 UTC
From: Joe Nolan
Topic: 853 Message: 857

The Challenger was in La Grande, Oregon but stays in Cheyenne most of the time when not on the road. It is #X3985.

Joe
--- In hamrailfans@yahoogroups.com, "David Rust" <w0dlr@f...> wrote:
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> [Non-text portions of this message have been removed]

858. My Dream Birthday Present would be.....

Yahoo group: hamrailfans
Date: 2005-09-27 01:04:13 UTC
From: Joe Nolan
Topic: 858 Message: 858

A train ride across Canada on the Canadian Pacific and return.

Joe's 68th Birthday on Sept. 27th.

859. FW: [GL] Fwd: [cactus-intertie] stolen equipment

Yahoo group: hamrailfans
Date: 2005-10-23 19:00:09 UTC
From: John Gleichweit
Topic: 859 Message: 859

Information forwarded to help in the recovery of all the items. Please contact the original poster, or your local police if you come across this equipment.
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John "Smokey Behr" Gleichweit FF1/EMT, CCNA, MCSE
IPN-CAL023 N6FOG UP Fresno Sub MP183.5 ECV1852
List Owner x6, Moderator x4 CA-OES 51-507

In a message dated 10/23/2005 1:27:02 AM Central Daylight Time, behrhorn@... writes:
Hello to all:

My friend had all of his service equipment stolen 2 weeks ago in the Stockton
area of California. this was taken in front of a hotel next to highway 99 so it could be anywhere, but if anyone sees the equipment please notify police, and drop me a line.

IFR COM 120A serial # 45001770
IFR A8000 spectrum analizer Serial # 1296
Glock model 22 serial # bta433us 40 caliber
and a lot of RF hand tools engraved E RAVELLO
feel free to pass this along to folks that go to the swap meets, thanks
.....bob kd6gnb

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Version: 7.0.344 / Virus Database: 267.12.4/146 - Release Date: 10/21/2005

860. Fort Wayne Indiana RR audio stream

Yahoo group: hamrailfans
Date: 2005-12-31 01:03:34 UTC
From: rrradioman
Topic: 860 Message: 860

I have been working on a new website.
The URL is http://www.rrradioman.com

Go to this page to check what RR radio frequencies
I monitor daily and for instructions on accessing my
audio stream of RR radio traffic in NE Indiana.

Gary Sturm

861. Greater Houston Hamfest

Yahoo group: hamrailfans
Date: 2006-02-19 21:57:43 UTC
From: Howard Bingham
Topic: 861 Message: 861

Hamrailfans in Texas may want to mark March 4th. as the date of the Greater Houston Hamfest in Sugar Land, Tx. (Southwest Houston)

The location is the Sugar Land Community Center which is 1 block South of the Imperial Sugar plant adjacent to the UP Glidden Sub (Which has about 40 trains a day within sight of the Hamfest) & US-90.

The Hamfest will feature many seminars in addition to VE testing and both new & gently used radio gear. A number of ham equipment vendors from throughout the Southwest will be there with the latest models of radios & antennas. There will also be many emergency communications vehicles on display in the parking lot.

For details, check: <http://www.bvarc.com> to download the poster for a map of the location.

Talk in frequency: 146.88 Pl 103.5 (Alternate: 145.450 no Pl)

73

Howard Bingham
KE5APJ

864. Re: [hamrailfans] Springfield Frisco 4524 Special Event

Yahoo group: hamrailfans
Date: 2006-05-22 02:21:05 UTC
From: David Rust
Topic: 862 Message: 864

Ok, Howard, thanks a bunch for the reply. I doubt that we would attempt this on Field Day weekend. So much on the bands then anyway.

I wish this was a moving train, but its only on a short piece of track, "ain't going no where" anymore. There has been a lot of hard work gone into their project, and we would like to help them get a little recognition for it.

We'll keep in touch, and thanks again.
73
Dave W0DLR

[Non-text portions of this message have been removed]

866. Hello Everyone:

Yahoo group: hamrailfans
Date: 2006-05-23 14:19:02 UTC
From: Andy
Topic: 866 Message: 866

My name is Andy, KF4JQD. I am a railfan and Ham. I am a rail fan of the Rock Island Line. If you look carefully at my website with my model trains. You will see a house with a tribander on it! I have all 100 railroad channels in my FT 7800 in my car. I live a few hundred feet from the CSX mainline!

You can find me on 146.85 repeater in Gattlinburg, TN, 147.195 in Knoxville, TN, and on 3.913MHz.

73,
Andy KF4JQD

867. RE: [hamrailfans] Hello Everyone:

Yahoo group: hamrailfans
Date: 2006-05-23 15:19:04 UTC
From: n.mckie@bendcable.com
Topic: 866 Message: 867

Ahem ...

Did you think to include your web site address?

Neil - WA6KLA

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>---- Original Message ----
>From: kf4jqd@...
>To: hamrailfans@yahoogroups.com
>Subject: RE: [hamrailfans] Hello Everyone:
>Date: Tue, 23 May 2006 14:19:02 -0000
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>>My name is Andy, KF4JQD. I am a railfan and Ham. I am a rail fan
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>>the Rock Island Line. If you look carefully at my website with my
>>model trains. You will see a house with a tribander on it! I have
>>all 100 railroad channels in my FT 7800 in my car. I live a few
>>hundred feet from the CSX mainline!
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868. Re: Hello Everyone:

Yahoo group: hamrailfans
Date: 2006-05-23 15:52:36 UTC
From: Andy
Topic: 866 Message: 868

I did Neil, it's in the Links page. Here is is anyways.
www.geocities.com/kf4jqd2002

Andy

869. New member here

Yahoo group: hamrailfans
Date: 2006-05-27 05:26:53 UTC
From: Dave
Topic: 869 Message: 869

Hi all, I am a sorta new member to this group, and I will be in Iowa & Nebraska next week. I am looing for frequencies for the UP along the east west main from mainly Boone Iowa west all the way to Grand Island Nebraska. I have the road channels but was wondering if anyone knows of what else the UP or the BNSF for that matter use. Also if anyone knows of any good photo locations in or around Grand Island that would be great if you could pass them on to me.

Thanks in advance...

Dave

870. Re: [hamrailfans] New member here

Yahoo group: hamrailfans
Date: 2006-05-27 05:43:23 UTC
From: Bigfoot
Topic: 869 Message: 870

160.890 (Boone,Iowa to Logan, Iowa)
160.740 (Logan,Iowa to Somewhere out in Nebraska) Then the frequency goes to
160.470 wherever the change it at.
161.175 (UP Branch, Missouri Valley, Iowa North to Sioux City)
161.190 (CN, runs along the UP from Woodbine, Iowa to Denison, Iowa)

Wouldn't hurt to monitor 160.470, 161.040, 160.905, 160.455(ex-CNW PBX)
while in Iowa anyways.

That should give you a good start. If you go to the yahoogroup, amesrailfans
in the files section I uploaded a excel sheet of all frequencies used by
what tower for all towers in Iowa. It included the UP and BNSF and all
railroads in Iowa. Anything further please contact me at
tskilbride@... I am from Iowa.

Tim K.
----- Original Message -----
From: "Dave" <kb9wpc@...>
To: <hamrailfans@yahoogroups.com>
Sent: Saturday, May 27, 2006 12:26 AM
Subject: [hamrailfans] New member here

Hi all, I am a sorta new member to this group, and I will be in Iowa &
Nebraska next week. I am looing for frequencies for the UP along the
east west main from mainly Boone Iowa west all the way to Grand Island
Nebraska. I have the road channels but was wondering if anyone knows of
what else the UP or the BNSF for that matter use. Also if anyone knows
of any good photo locations in or around Grand Island that would be
great if you could pass them on to me.

Thanks in advance...

Dave

Yahoo! Groups Links

871. Ham train freq. in Nebraska

Yahoo group: hamrailfans
Date: 2006-05-27 17:15:46 UTC
From: Dave
Topic: 871 Message: 871

I am wondering if there are any 2 meter or 440 freq. that hams in Nebraska or Iowa use when chasing trains. I know that here in upper Wisconsin, hardly anyone use's anything, or at least the times that I have been out on a train, I have yet to hear anyone.

Dave

872. RE: [hamrailfans] Ham train freq. in Nebraska

Yahoo group: hamrailfans
Date: 2006-05-27 17:21:01 UTC
From: n.mckie@bendcable.com
Topic: 871 Message: 872

My experience in train chasing, is my dualband radio is listening
to the trains on the 144 MHZ range while the UHF band can be used
for local chat.

Neil - WA6KLA ... Oregon ...

---- Original Message ----
From: kb9wpc@...
To: hamrailfans@yahoogroups.com
Subject: RE: [hamrailfans] Ham train freq. in Nebraska
Date: Sat, 27 May 2006 17:15:46 -0000

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873. Re: [hamrailfans] Ham train freq. in Nebraska

Yahoo group: hamrailfans
Date: 2006-05-27 23:30:23 UTC
From: Howard Bingham
Topic: 871 Message: 873

At 12:15 PM 5/27/2006, Dave wrote:

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>Nebraska or Iowa use when chasing trains. I know that here in upper
>Wisconsin, hardly anyone use's anything, or at least the times that I
>have been out on a train, I have yet to hear anyone.
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>Dave
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In Southeast Texas most hams that are chasing trains post messages on
the national simplex call frequency.

When near a major population area such as Houston, we use "Salt Grass
Link System" repeaters (Except for morning & evening rush
hours.). See: www.saltgrasslinksystem.org for location of repeaters
in SE Texas.

Howard Bingham
KE5APJ

874. Re: Ham train freq. in Nebraska

Yahoo group: hamrailfans
Date: 2006-05-28 00:37:13 UTC
From: Andy
Topic: 871 Message: 874

Hi Dave:

This is Andy, KF4JQD. A year ago I moved to Tennessee from Edgar, Wisconsin, near Wausau. Try the Tomahawk repeater of 145.430. Also there's the 146.940 in Rhinelander and the 146.820 In Wausau.

I am on the 146.850 Repeater in Gattlinburg, Tennessee. If you are wonder. NO, I am NOT missing Wisconsin! I live a few hundres yards from the CSX mainline!

73,
Andy KF4JQD

PS
Best I have used for railfanning is the FT7800. I have all 100 US rail channels in it!

875. Re: [hamrailfans] Ham train freq. in Nebraska

Yahoo group: hamrailfans
Date: 2006-05-28 11:59:43 UTC
From: Les Coburn, N9TRZ
Topic: 871 Message: 875

It seems as though that 146.490, 146.565, and 446.050 are freqs listed for railfan use. Well at least that's what I have programmed in my radios.

Les

----- Original Message -----
From: "Dave" <kb9wpc@...>
To: <hamrailfans@yahoogroups.com>
Sent: Saturday, May 27, 2006 11:15 AM
Subject: [hamrailfans] Ham train freq. in Nebraska

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> Nebraska or Iowa use when chasing trains. I know that here in upper
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876. Re: Ham train freq. in Nebraska

Yahoo group: hamrailfans
Date: 2006-05-28 09:49:15 UTC
From: John Marcel (K1FDD)
Topic: 871 Message: 876

Several years ago, they (whomever "They" are) established some common simplex frequencies designated for railfans. They even made it into Vincent Reh's Rail Communications book. I remember 146.490 and 446.050 were for 2m/440. There was also another 2m, a 220 and a 1.2Ghz.

John Marcel/K1FDD
Penacook, NH

--- In hamrailfans@yahoogroups.com, "Dave" <kb9wpc@...> wrote:
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> Dave
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877. Re: [hamrailfans] Ham train freq. in Nebraska

Yahoo group: hamrailfans
Date: 2006-05-28 15:21:06 UTC
From: n.mckie@bendcable.com
Topic: 871 Message: 877

I know about 146.490 and never heard about 146.565 ... wouldn't
be using those frequencies anyway as that frequency band receiver
would be listening to the railroad channels.

The 446.050 may be a repeater output around here.

Neil - WA6KLA

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>---- Original Message ----
>From: n9trz@msn.com
>To: hamrailfans@yahoogroups.com
>Subject: Re: [hamrailfans] Ham train freq. in Nebraska
>Date: Sun, 28 May 2006 05:59:43 -0600
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>>railfan use. Well at least that's what I have programmed in my
>radios.
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>>From: "Dave" <kb9wpc@...>
>>To: <hamrailfans@yahoogroups.com>
>>Sent: Saturday, May 27, 2006 11:15 AM
>>Subject: [hamrailfans] Ham train freq. in Nebraska
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878. Re: [hamrailfans] Ham train freq. in Nebraska

Yahoo group: hamrailfans
Date: 2006-05-28 15:39:50 UTC
From: Phil Kane
Topic: 871 Message: 878

On Sun, 28 May 2006 08:21:06 -0700, n.mckie@... wrote:

> I know about 146.490 and never heard about 146.565 ... wouldn't
> be using those frequencies anyway as that frequency band receiver
> would be listening to the railroad channels.

That's what they make dual-channel transceivers for.....

In the Portland (OR) metro area, 146.480 is used by the Hospital
Emergency Amateur Radio Team, an offshoot of ARES, (soon to
come to Bend, I hear) and is inpacted by the occasional
splatter from 146.490. Lots of fun!!

> The 446.050 may be a repeater output around here.

It would be an input or simplex...outputs are below 445.000.

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73 de K2ASP - Phil Kane

From a Clearing in the Silicon Forest
Beaverton (Washington County) Oregon

879. New member in Cleveland, Ohio

Yahoo group: hamrailfans
Date: 2006-07-05 13:47:32 UTC
From: interrobang
Topic: 879 Message: 879

Greetings!

I just joined the list. I am not yet a ham, but I plan to take my tech test this weekend.

I am based in Cleveland, Ohio (well, Bedford, actually).

RobR
http://clevelandrails.railfan.net/
Owner, clevelandrails@yahoogroups.com

880. Re: [hamrailfans] New member in Cleveland, Ohio

Yahoo group: hamrailfans
Date: 2006-07-05 22:07:38 UTC
From: Howard Bingham
Topic: 879 Message: 880

Good luck on the test..

I haven't seen the new one, but given simplicity of the tech class
test, you should be able to ace it..

73

Howard Bingham, Houston, Tx.
KE5APJ - EL29gq

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On Wed, 05 Jul 2006 13:47:32 -0000
"interrobang" <CedricCicada@...> wrote:
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881. Re: [hamrailfans] New member in Cleveland, Ohio

Yahoo group: hamrailfans
Date: 2006-07-05 23:09:05 UTC
From: David Rust W0DLR
Topic: 879 Message: 881

Yes, my thought too on the test, all the best. You can do it! You have some nice photos of trains too. Be sure to listen for our Special Event Oct 7th. Details will come out in QST. We are setting up at the Frisco Museum at Grant Beach Park, in Springfield, Mo. They have Frisco 4524 and several cars there in a static display. Operation will be on 20 and 40, like 7270 and 14270.

73 from Dave, W0DLR

[Non-text portions of this message have been removed]

882. New member in San Mateo, CA

Yahoo group: hamrailfans
Date: 2006-08-13 17:59:43 UTC
From: Norman Worthington
Topic: 882 Message: 882

Greetings all --
Just wanted to introduce myself. I'm Norman Worthington -- KI6CPL.
San Mateo is on the peninsula, South of San Francisco. I've been
photographing trains for 25 years or so and have a web site that can
be found at http://www.trainweb.org/normsrailphotos . I've had my
tech ticket since February of '06 and unfortunately there doesn't seem
to be alot of ham activity pertaining to railfanning here in the SF
bay area. It will be interesting to see what goes on in the rest of
the country via this site.

73

Norm

883. Re: [hamrailfans] New member in San Mateo, CA

Yahoo group: hamrailfans
Date: 2006-08-13 23:47:40 UTC
From: Phil Kane
Topic: 882 Message: 883

On Sun, 13 Aug 2006 17:59:43 -0000, Norman Worthington wrote:

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>tech ticket since February of '06 and unfortunately there doesn't seem
>to be alot of ham activity pertaining to railfanning here in the SF
>bay area. It will be interesting to see what goes on in the rest of
>the country via this site.

I got back into active railfanning via ham radio 35 years ago
when I lived in Pacifica and then Daly City. There used to be
both 2-meter and 440 repeaters where we hung out. I've been
away from the Bay Area seven years now so I don't know what's
current. I have the same gripe about the Portland area but
that's a different story.

Get onto the Calrailfans Yahoo group -- lots of hams there and
there's a railfan/railphotog outing somewhere in Northern
California every month. Some of my original railfan "buddies"
are there too.

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Phil Kane - K2ASP -- Beaverton, OR
PNW Milepost 754 - Tillamook District

884. Re: [hamrailfans] New member in San Mateo, CA

Yahoo group: hamrailfans
Date: 2006-08-14 00:02:11 UTC
From: David Rust
Topic: 882 Message: 884

Hamrailfan friends,
We in Springfield, Mo. are going to have a Special Event for the Frisco 4524 on October 7th. Around 14.270 and 7.270 frequencies. They have a website you might want to check out, but by all means, keep the date in mind. We'd love to work everyone possible.

http://www.frisco.org/vb/index.php

The 4524 was donated and is on display in Grant Beach Park in mid-town Springfield, Mo. We hope to draw some interest and attention what this group has been doing.

Keep us in mind on Oct 7th.
73 Dave, W0DLR

[Non-text portions of this message have been removed]

885. Re: [hamrailfans] New member in San Mateo, CA

Yahoo group: hamrailfans
Date: 2006-08-14 01:15:37 UTC
From: Phil Kane
Topic: 882 Message: 885

On Sun, 13 Aug 2006 19:02:11 -0500, David Rust wrote:

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>Frisco 4524 on October 7th. Around 14.270 and 7.270 frequencies.
>They have a website you might want to check out, but by all
>means, keep the date in mind. We'd love to work everyone
>possible.

Sounds interesting. What times, formats? (Lots of stuff on our
family calendar that day.....)

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Phil Kane -- K2ASP -- Beaverton, OR
PNW Milepost 754 - Tillamook District

886. Re: [hamrailfans] New member in San Mateo, CA

Yahoo group: hamrailfans
Date: 2006-08-14 03:44:59 UTC
From: n.mckie@bendcable.com
Topic: 882 Message: 886

Hey Phil,

Install your own 440 MHz repeater and then let the local ham
railfans know about it.

I know of two hams in the greater Portland area who also have
speeders. One of them is a rail fan as well ... his office is
near you.

Near Bend and mile post 152 on the BNSF Pasco Division / Union
Pacific Bend Branch,

Neil

---- Original Message ----
From: railfan@...
To: hamrailfans@yahoogroups.com
Subject: Re: [hamrailfans] New member in San Mateo, CA
Date: Sun, 13 Aug 2006 16:47:40 -0700

>On Sun, 13 Aug 2006 17:59:43 -0000, Norman Worthington wrote:
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> Phil Kane - K2ASP -- Beaverton, OR
> PNW Milepost 754 - Tillamook District
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887. New member in Cen FL

Yahoo group: hamrailfans
Date: 2006-08-14 20:16:11 UTC
From: J Green
Topic: 887 Message: 887

Greetings from Lakeland Florida! I've been inactive in both the railfan and Ham arena since moving to florida a couple of years ago. I recently dusted off my camera and have been attempting to get back into action, though limited so far.

Johnny
KD4JSF

888. Re: [hamrailfans] New member in San Mateo, CA

Yahoo group: hamrailfans
Date: 2006-08-14 23:27:57 UTC
From: Phil Kane
Topic: 882 Message: 888

On Sun, 13 Aug 2006 20:44:59 -0700, n.mckie@... wrote:

> Hey Phil,

> Install your own 440 MHz repeater and then let the local ham
> railfans know about it.

No Than Kew! I'm the trustee of three club repeaters right now
and have no desire to "have my own".

> I know of two hams in the greater Portland area who also have
> speeders. One of them is a rail fan as well ... his office is
> near you.

I know one, and possibly both.

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Phil Kane -- K2ASP -- Beaverton, OR
PNW Milepost 754 - Tillamook District

889. Re: [hamrailfans] New member in San Mateo, CA

Yahoo group: hamrailfans
Date: 2006-08-14 23:35:39 UTC
From: n.mckie@bendcable.com
Topic: 882 Message: 889

Hello Phil ...

>On Sun, 13 Aug 2006 20:44:59 -0700, n.mckie@bendcable.com wrote:
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>> railfans know about it.
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> and have no desire to "have my own".

How did you get 'conned' into that? ;)

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>> speeders. One of them is a rail fan as well ... his office is
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One is Mike ... the other is Kevin ...

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> Phil Kane -- K2ASP -- Beaverton, OR
> PNW Milepost 754 - Tillamook District

Neil - WA6KLA

890. Re: [hamrailfans] New member in San Mateo, CA

Yahoo group: hamrailfans
Date: 2006-08-15 01:13:31 UTC
From: Phil Kane
Topic: 882 Message: 890

On Mon, 14 Aug 2006 16:35:39 -0700, n.mckie@... wrote:

>> No Than Kew! I'm the trustee of three club repeaters right now
>> and have no desire to "have my own".

> How did you get 'conned' into that? ;)

Van retired and no one else wanted it. Anyhow, I speak "FCC"
on a first name basis....

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73 de K2ASP - Phil Kane

891. Re: [hamrailfans] New member in San Mateo, CA

Yahoo group: hamrailfans
Date: 2006-08-15 01:34:45 UTC
From: n.mckie@bendcable.com
Topic: 882 Message: 891

Van retired ... Oh !!!

Hmmm, congrats I think ...

Briefly visited with Don S. at the picnic yesterday. He says
after three years of being president, he's not doing it again.

Apparently that also applies to Ev too.

Neil

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> 73 de K2ASP - Phil Kane
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892. New to this Group

Yahoo group: hamrailfans
Date: 2006-08-16 06:24:47 UTC
From: Dennis
Topic: 892 Message: 892

Hi Group,

I'm new so I thought I would introduce myself. I came here from a mention over in the Railscan group.

I am, of course, a railfan and a Ham although I havn't been super active in either for a while. I currently live in Illinois where I am an engineer for a major east coast railroad. I have relatives in Florida and usually spend a few weeks there a year where I do most of my fanning on the FEC(in between Disney and SeaWorld). I'm originaly from Northern NJ but I havn't been home in a long time. I do still have alot of memories of the NYS&W and trips to Binghamton NY to watch the D&H and to Wilsmere DE to see CSX.

High point in Ham Radio:
Maybe when I connected with Mir one day on packet

Low Point:
The day I had to explain to a friend(repeatedly) that he could NOT just buy a radio and use GBW308 as his call sign! lol

Anyway, enough of my life story :) Just wanted to say Hi

Dennis N2UCL

893. Re: [hamrailfans] New to this Group

Yahoo group: hamrailfans
Date: 2006-08-16 22:11:54 UTC
From: Howard Bingham
Topic: 892 Message: 893

Welcome to the list..

Many of us in Texas share the two hobbies as given the distances
between hot spots can involve a few hundred miles, having 2 meter &
70 cm repeaters in most areas of Texas, enable some of us to cover
far & wide train movements.

Howard Bingham
KE5APJ - Monitoring the Salt Grass Link System in Houston, Tx.
www.saltgrasslinksystem.org

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At 01:24 AM 8/16/2006, you wrote:
>Hi Group,
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>mention over in the Railscan group.
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>active in either for a while. I currently live in Illinois where I am
>an engineer for a major east coast railroad. I have relatives in
>Florida and usually spend a few weeks there a year where I do most of
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>Dennis N2UCL
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894. Re: [hamrailfans] New to this Group

Yahoo group: hamrailfans
Date: 2006-08-17 00:07:21 UTC
From: n.mckie@bendcable.com
Topic: 892 Message: 894

Of course I also like trains ...

The western most BNSF north-south track is about a mile east of
me ... the road frequency is 161.100 MHz

I also minitor numerous other frequencies from time to time such
as most of the local, state and federal fire net frequencies, the
regional Mars net, the Oregon Repeater Linking Group
http://www.orlg.org and the three meter band ...

Welcome ...

Neil - WA6KLA

---- Original Message ----
From: howardb@...
To: hamrailfans@yahoogroups.com
Subject: Re: [hamrailfans] New to this Group
Date: Wed, 16 Aug 2006 17:11:54 -0500

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>Howard Bingham
>KE5APJ - Monitoring the Salt Grass Link System in Houston, Tx.
>www.saltgrasslinksystem.org
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>At 01:24 AM 8/16/2006, you wrote:
>>Hi Group,
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>>I'm new so I thought I would introduce myself. I came here from a
>>mention over in the Railscan group.
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>>I am, of course, a railfan and a Ham although I havn't been super
>>active in either for a while. I currently live in Illinois where I
>am
>>an engineer for a major east coast railroad. I have relatives in
>>Florida and usually spend a few weeks there a year where I do most
>of
>>my fanning on the FEC(in between Disney and SeaWorld). I'm originaly
>>from Northern NJ but I havn't been home in a long time. I do still

>>have alot of memories of the NYS&W and trips to Binghamton NY to
>>watch the D&H and to Wilsmere DE to see CSX.
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>>High point in Ham Radio:
>>Maybe when I connected with Mir one day on packet
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>>Low Point:
>>The day I had to explain to a friend(repeatedly) that he could NOT
>>just buy a radio and use GBW308 as his call sign! lol
>>
>>Anyway, enough of my life story :) Just wanted to say Hi
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>>Dennis N2UCL
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895. Another new member

Yahoo group: hamrailfans
Date: 2006-08-18 03:05:34 UTC
From: Tom Spalding
Topic: 895 Message: 895

I'm also new to this list, referred by a note in the Railscan list where I have lurked for several years. I live in northwest Iowa on a UP branch (former RI/CNW) with little activity but grain, plus 20 miles south of and 25 miles north of ICE rails (former MILW/Soo) with the same business. I can sometimes hear the UP former CNW Omaha line from the Twin Cities to Sioux City and southward.

I've been a ham for over ten years with a tech rating; I primarily got the ticket so I'd have no problems with a transceiver or scanner in Minnesota or South Dakota, where there are restrictions if one does not have a ham ticket.

Tom Spalding
KB0OIV

896. Special Event Oct 7th Springfield, Mo.

Yahoo group: hamrailfans
Date: 2006-09-05 00:24:25 UTC
From: Dave Rust
Topic: 896 Message: 896

Ham rail fans.

Our group, Frisco Museum at Springfield, Mo. are having a Special Event commemorating the preservation of the Frisco 4524 and other items at the Museum at Grant Beach Park, Springfield, Mo. We will be operating starting about 8am on 14.270 and possibly 7.270 on October 7th.

I hope band conditions are improved, sometimes 20 is good here and most often it is not.

If you are available that day and are close to or live in Springfield, Mo we would like to have you come see us. If not, drop by on the bands and we can have a qso. It is not a contest, we are not in any hurry, so feel free to visit with us if you have time.

73 and mark Oct 7th on your calendar.
Dave W0DLR

897. Repeaters from Cleveland to Pittsburgh

Yahoo group: hamrailfans
Date: 2006-09-14 16:09:42 UTC
From: interrobang
Topic: 897 Message: 897

Greetings!

I'll be driving from Cleveland to Pittsburgh Friday afternoon and back on Sunday afternoon. I'll be getting off the Pennsylvania Turnpike at Beaver Valley (exit 13, Route 18) and heading south through Beaver Falls, Rochester, Leetsdale, Sewickley, crossing the river there to -- oh, drat. What's that town with the long name beginning with C tht has that footbridge over the CSX track? Anyway, I'll be following 51 through McKee's Rock and into Pittsburgh from there. What repeaters should I be listening to along the way? And is there anybody on this group that I should try to contact while I'm there?

I'd appreciate PL frequencies, too. The web site that people are always recommending for repeater frequencies didn't have PL settings for several Cleveland area repeaters, so I'm not sure it will have what I need towards Pittsburgh, either.

Thanks very much!

73

RobR
KD8DYT

898. Re: The Great Sort --- part 2

Yahoo group: hamrailfans
Date: 2006-11-19 17:28:57 UTC
From: n.mckie@bendcable.com
Topic: 898 Message: 898

This coming weekend - starting Friday - tentative, the garage
here is getting cleaned out. If you are here, you can have some
if you are not here, you can't have some ...

Included ...
Motorola: Motrac, Mocom-70, Micor, Mitrek etc.
GE Mastr-Pro, Mastr II, Exec II, whatever ...
RCA Series 700
Manuals too
Other ...

73
Neil McKie - WA6KLA

BTW, I will not be shipping anything

899. Greater Houston Hamfest

Yahoo group: hamrailfans
Date: 2007-02-20 04:55:04 UTC
From: Howard Bingham
Topic: 861 Message: 899

The Greater Houston Hamfest is scheduled for March 3, 2007 at the Fort Bend County Fairgrounds in Rosenberg, Tx. (About 35 miles southwest of downtown Houston). Many seminars & classes will be conducted during the hamfest in addition to tailgate sales & an 18,000 sq ft indoor exhibition hall..

For details and directions, go to: <http://www.houstonhamfest.org>, or: <http://www.bvarc.org>

This will also be the ARRL South Texas Section Convention

To keep this rail oriented, the Fairgrounds are in close proximity of the former SP Victoria Sub (AKA: The Macarroni line) from Rosenberg to near Victoria, Tx. The line was purchased several years ago by the KCS to serve as a shorter & less time consuming route for it's trains to Laredo, Tx.. The KCS is in progress of totally rebuilding the line, an intermodal terminal is to be located in the Rosenberg area to serve as a distribution point for cargo intended for delivery in the Greater Houston area..

Additionally the busy BNSF Galveston Sub & the UPRR Glidden Sub run through downtown Rosenberg naer Tower 17 (The original manned tower has been relocated to the Rosenberg RR Museum which is located adjacent to the BNSF & UP lines off of US-90A about 2 blocks east of Texas 36 in Rosenberg.).

Howard Bingham
KE5APJ

Note: Houston area rail frequencies are listed at: <http://houston.railfan.net>, many area railfans monitor the Salt Grass Link System on 146.920 PL 103.5 or 443.825 PL 103.5

900. Hi

Yahoo group: hamrailfans
Date: 2007-04-21 04:39:32 UTC
From: Dennis
Topic: 900 Message: 900

Where are all the Railhams?

Dennis

901. Re: [hamrailfans] Hi

Yahoo group: hamrailfans
Date: 2007-04-21 12:07:28 UTC
From: Howard Bingham
Topic: 900 Message: 901

Dennis wrote:
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> Dennis
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Gets me..

I have been on the list for over a year & your message is the first in ages.

This morning, I am headed from Houston to Galveston for a meeting of the Texas association of Rail Passengers (TXARP) is the "fog" lifts (I am ready to go now, but visibility is less than 300 ft.

Last week I was in Flatonia, Tx. to watch trains at the Flatonia Rail Pavilion (See photo section at: www.sidetracktommy.com).

73

Howard Bingham
KE5APJ

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902. Re: [hamrailfans] Hi

Yahoo group: hamrailfans
Date: 2007-04-21 12:22:04 UTC
From: David Rust
Topic: 900 Message: 902

Yes, you are right, you are the first. I guess I'm to blame too.

Nothing new going on here. I have changed radios a few times, added some, sold some, etc. The usual.

I use mostly a TS530S now on HF.

Any one interested in a weekly get -to-gether maybe on 40 meters on weekends??

Perhaps an attempt to have a little roundtable would help us get fired up again.

73 Dave W0DLR near Branson, Mo.
(Home of the Branson Scenic Railway and M&NA Railroad)

[Non-text portions of this message have been removed]

903. Re: [hamrailfans] Hi

Yahoo group: hamrailfans
Date: 2007-04-21 15:43:31 UTC
From: Dave
Topic: 900 Message: 903

Western Wisconsin here.

--- Dennis <dennislocoengr@...> wrote:

> Where are all the Railhams?
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> Dennis
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904. RE: [hamrailfans] Hi

Yahoo group: hamrailfans
Date: 2007-04-21 13:31:17 UTC
From: John Beall
Topic: 900 Message: 904

Well!! I've been here a long time and I have heard from no one from my part of the world which is the Washington, D.C. area. So don't feel bad.

73's ,

John KA3USB

From: hamrailfans@yahoogroups.com [mailto:hamrailfans@yahoogroups.com] On Behalf Of Howard Bingham
Sent: Saturday, April 21, 2007 8:07 AM
To: hamrailfans@yahoogroups.com
Subject: Re: [hamrailfans] Hi

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Howard Bingham
KE5APJ

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905. Re: [hamrailfans] Hi

Yahoo group: hamrailfans
Date: 2007-04-21 12:19:20 UTC
From: Earl Needham
Topic: 900 Message: 905

At 06:07 AM 4/21/2007, Howard Bingham wrote:
>Dennis wrote:
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> > Dennis
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>ready to go now, but visibility is less than 300 ft.
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>Last week I was in Flatonia, Tx. to watch trains at the Flatonia Rail
>Pavilion (See photo section at: www.sidetracktommy.com).

This list has never been a high-activity list, but it
appears that at the beginning of 2002 traffic volume went from about
14 msgs/month down to 9 msgs/month. In the last year it's been even
less, averaging 1 or 2 messages every other month.

I'm in Cabool, Mo, about to head for Portales, NM. See my
position at http://www.findu.com/cgi-bin/find.cgi?kd5xb-11

I'll probably monitor 146.52 FM most of the way home, if I
get within range give me a call.

7 3
Earl

KD5XB -- Earl Needham
Clovis, New Mexico DM84jk
http://groups.yahoo.com/group/cw_bugs

906. Re: [hamrailfans] Hi

Yahoo group: hamrailfans
Date: 2007-04-21 16:59:11 UTC
From: Harry Marnell
Topic: 900 Message: 906

N6URU on California's North Coast. Alongside the all-but-defunct NWP, which hasn't turned a wheel in 8 years now.

Harry

Dennis wrote:
> Where are all the Railhams?

907. Re: [hamrailfans] Hi

Yahoo group: hamrailfans
Date: 2007-04-21 19:05:16 UTC
From: David Rust
Topic: 900 Message: 907

Earl, I grew up in Cabool. It was on the Frisco then. You have relatives there?
Dave

[Non-text portions of this message have been removed]

908. Re: [hamrailfans] Hi

Yahoo group: hamrailfans
Date: 2007-04-21 23:45:12 UTC
From: Howard Bingham
Topic: 900 Message: 908

At 07:22 AM 4/21/2007, David Rust wrote:
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>fired up again.
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>73 Dave W0DLR near Branson, Mo.
>(Home of the Branson Scenic Railway and M&NA Railroad)
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Maybe we can even get a group of North Texas hams to operate in June
on Field Day from the caboose of the Texas State Railroad too.. (They
did make quite a few HF contacts from a caboose with batteries
charges by the generator powered off one of the axles..)..

For some reason, they didn't do this in 2006..

73

Howard Bingham, at mp 372 of the UP Houston Terminal Sub

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909. Re: [hamrailfans] Hi

Yahoo group: hamrailfans
Date: 2007-04-21 23:57:04 UTC
From: David Rust
Topic: 900 Message: 909

Howard, Field Day from a Caboose would be a nice event. I tried one last summer in Springfield, Mo. at a Frisco Display, only to have band conditions worse than poor. I made two contacts in about 5 hours or so.

Band conditions do seem to be improving.

Keep us posted if the Event at Field Day happens.
Dave W0DLR

[Non-text portions of this message have been removed]

910. Re: [hamrailfans] Hi

Yahoo group: hamrailfans
Date: 2007-04-22 00:49:48 UTC
From: Earl Needham
Topic: 900 Message: 910

At 01:05 PM 4/21/2007, David Rust wrote:

>Earl, I grew up in Cabool. It was on the Frisco then. You have
>relatives there?
>Dave

No, I drive a milk truck for a company that's based
there. I went to the home terminal to get the truck worked on --
they have the best shop in the company there.

Right now I'm sitting in Conway, Texas, hoping the storms
don't come this way. Lots of tornado warnings ahead of me.

7 3
Earl

KD5XB -- Earl Needham
Clovis, New Mexico DM84jk
http://groups.yahoo.com/group/cw_bugs

911. Re: [hamrailfans] Hi

Yahoo group: hamrailfans
Date: 2007-04-22 00:51:30 UTC
From: David Rust
Topic: 900 Message: 911

Earl, email me off list if you will, I drove for them 4 or 5 year, sometime ago.
dlrust@...
Thanks and have a good evening.
Dave W0DLR

[Non-text portions of this message have been removed]

912. Re: [hamrailfans] Hi

Yahoo group: hamrailfans
Date: 2007-04-22 01:26:10 UTC
From: Phil Kane
Topic: 900 Message: 912

On Sat, 21 Apr 2007 06:19:20 -0600, Earl Needham wrote:

>KD5XB -- Earl Needham
>Clovis, New Mexico DM84jk
>http://groups.yahoo.com/group/cw_bugs

Does the Santa Fe yard office (former depot ?) at Clovis still
have the sign about "Trains Pass This Point at 80 MPH" that I
saw about 30 years ago?

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Phil Kane -- K2ASP -- Beaverton, OR
PNW Milepost 754 - Tillamook District

913. Re: Hi

Yahoo group: hamrailfans
Date: 2007-04-22 11:12:53 UTC
From: Michael Kallstrom
Topic: 900 Message: 913

Here in Bowling Green,KY I watch CSX at a small yard in town and R J Corman that also has a distribution center nearby.

Mike NU4Q

914. Re: [hamrailfans] Hi

Yahoo group: hamrailfans
Date: 2007-04-22 14:59:59 UTC
From: Earl Needham
Topic: 900 Message: 914

At 07:26 PM 4/21/2007, Phil Kane wrote:

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so bad around here that you can hardly get within a block of the
office with a camera without being hassled. A few years ago, one of
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AMTRAK re-route from a public street.

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915. Re: [hamrailfans] Hi

Yahoo group: hamrailfans
Date: 2007-04-22 15:29:52 UTC
From: Phil Kane
Topic: 900 Message: 915

On Sun, 22 Apr 2007 08:59:59 -0600, Earl Needham wrote:

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>so bad around here that you can hardly get within a block of the
>office with a camera without being hassled. A few years ago, one of
>them told me I couldn't get out of my car to take a picture of an
>AMTRAK re-route from a public street.

I guess that there may be two BNSFs, then <g>!

Here, the Vancouver, WA AMTRAK platform and parking lot at the
south end of the BNSF Vancouver yard is the preferred gathering
place of the railfans (a lot of us are hams) and as long as we
stay back of a specific "No Trespassing Beyond This Point" sign
at the yard end of the parking lot there has never been a problem.
Of course, this may be because one of the BNSF Special Agents
is a railfan as well!

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Phil Kane -- K2ASP -- Beaverton, OR
PNW Milepost 754 - Tillamook District

916. Wow!

Yahoo group: hamrailfans
Date: 2007-04-24 05:13:13 UTC
From: Dennis
Topic: 916 Message: 916

Hi Group,

Thats all it took to get some posts? lol

I'm located in Illinois, just outside of Chicago. I don't use my radios for much but listening anymore. Been thinking lately about getting back into it though.... Would help if I can find people to talk trains with. My railham buddies live in NJ, UT, and CA. Not much chance of getting them on 2m lol!

Dennis N2UCL

917. Re: [hamrailfans] Wow!

Yahoo group: hamrailfans
Date: 2007-04-24 07:49:12 UTC
From: Howard Bingham
Topic: 916 Message: 917

On Tue, 24 Apr 2007 05:13:13 -0000
"Dennis" <dennislocoengr@...> wrote:
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>
> Dennis N2UCL
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Maybe some of your buddies are near a linked repeater system..

In SE Texas we have the "Salt Grass Link System" that covers most of the SE portion of Texas east of I-35 & roughly south of US-190. These repeaters are linked nationally by IRLP & connect with other linked repeaters outside this network late night & weekends. (See: http://www.saltgrasslinksystem.org> for details on this one system.).

While not mentioned at the Salt Grass site, the owners of the network also have 10 & 6 meter radios that link to their network when those bands are active in the area..

Personally, I operate mobile on 6 & 2 M as well as 70 cm. When railfanning, quite a few railhams do use the linked system as with quite a bit of distance between sightings of trains, radio sure cuts down on where main line action is on rail lines in Texas.

73

Howard Bingham
KE5APJ - EL29gq

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918. Re: [hamrailfans] Wow!

Yahoo group: hamrailfans
Date: 2007-04-24 11:57:05 UTC
From: Ricky Shuttleworth
Topic: 916 Message: 918

I like getting on Echolink. I don't have a rig set up at my home yet. I am getting a new house built. I do like going to Hoxie AR, Thayer MO, Jonesboro AR, and other spots around my area to photograph trains. Ricky S. KB5UCL
----- Original Message -----
From: Dennis
To: hamrailfans@yahoogroups.com
Sent: Tuesday, April 24, 2007 12:13 AM
Subject: [hamrailfans] Wow!

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919. Re: [hamrailfans] Digest Number 460

Yahoo group: hamrailfans
Date: 2007-04-25 15:36:34 UTC
From: jmarcel66@comcast.net
Topic: 919 Message: 919

Is there an Echolink Conferences for Railhams? If not, has anyone thought of putting one up? haven't been there in awhile so wasn't sure.

John Marcel/K1FDD
Penacook, NH

---------- Original message ----------
From: hamrailfans@yahoogroups.com
Ham Radio Enthusiasts who combine railfanning with amateur Radio. If you are interested in how we combine
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1a. Re: Wow! From: Ricky Shuttleworth
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1a. Re: Wow!
Posted by: "Ricky Shuttleworth" kb5ucl@... wrshuttl19
Tue Apr 24, 2007 10:25 am (PST)
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920. Re: [hamrailfans] Digest Number 460

Yahoo group: hamrailfans
Date: 2007-04-25 16:36:52 UTC
From: David Rust
Topic: 919 Message: 920

John, I have tried dozens of ways/and time to get Echolink to run on my laptop with a wireless connection and have given the whole project up.

Let me know if you get an Echolink meeting going. Thanks and 73
Dave

[Non-text portions of this message have been removed]

921. Re: [hamrailfans] Digest Number 460

Yahoo group: hamrailfans
Date: 2007-04-28 04:55:34 UTC
From: gaffit
Topic: 919 Message: 921

----- Original Message -----
From: "David Rust" <

> John, I have tried dozens of ways/and time to get Echolink to run on my
laptop with a wireless connection and have given the whole project up.
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> Let me know if you get an Echolink meeting going. Thanks and 73
> Dave

I use a laptop while out on the road. I connect up to a proxy server
to get the Echolink severs/info. Works real slick. I even connect up
to my own 2 meter simplex link to talk with guys in the area. While
some will argue to it's not "real radio", it works for what I want/need.
Used to pack the little 817 HF rig with me, but now just play around
with the Echostink when I'm laying over at the hotel waiting to come
back home. Maybe I could help you get it going. My link is
currently down, I'm using the soundcard for PSK at the moment, but
will have it back on line in the morning. Give me a shout if you see
the link on the list...

73, Todd KH2TJ

922. Re: [hamrailfans] Wow!

Yahoo group: hamrailfans
Date: 2007-04-28 04:48:47 UTC
From: gaffit
Topic: 916 Message: 922

----- Original Message -----
From: "Dennis"

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Hello Dennis and the group. Todd KH2TJ here in Portola, CA UP hogger, working the Portola to Elko run about 6 trips a month. One of the longest runs out here on the left coast, at 348 miles.

There used to be an Echolink net, or maybe it was an IRLP net, on Wednesday nights. Maybe someone would let us use their conference to hold a weekly get together? Just a thought...

Later.

73, Todd KH2TJ/6

923. Re: Wow!

Yahoo group: hamrailfans
Date: 2007-04-28 05:49:41 UTC
From: Dennis
Topic: 916 Message: 923

Hi Ricky and Group,

I've thought about getting on Echolink. I know its free but the mic on my puter doesn't work...I keep saying I'm going to go buy a new one and then I'll try Echolink but I never do :(

This past March, when I was on vacation in Florida, a friend of mine in NJ used Echolink to get on a repeater near where I was railfanning and we did some experimenting with my HT and it seemed to work good.

Dennis

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924. Re: Wow!

Yahoo group: hamrailfans
Date: 2007-04-29 06:15:01 UTC
From: Dennis
Topic: 916 Message: 924

Hi Todd,

Glad to see another Engineer/Railfan/Ham on here....I didn't want to be the only one :)

Dennis

--- In hamrailfans@yahoogroups.com, "gaffit" <gaffit@...> wrote:
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925. Re: [hamrailfans] Re: Wow! + Echolink train net

Yahoo group: hamrailfans
Date: 2007-04-30 19:02:33 UTC
From: gaffit
Topic: 925 Message: 925

----- Original Message -----
From: "Dennis"

Hi Todd,

Glad to see another Engineer/Railfan/Ham on here....I didn't want to
be the only one :)

OK Dennis. Cool! Knew there were a few of us "others" out here
lurking ;-)

Just got back home after another long 12 + hr trip from Elko...

Was looking around the Echolink list of stations just a few tics ago,
and noticed this one lists a train net every Monday, which is today ;-)

It's node number 286689. The N9PMR-R repeater. Net starts at
9 pm CST. Currently have my node connected up to the repeater.
Will see what happens later tonight and let you guys know...

73, Todd KH2TJ/6

926. RE: [hamrailfans] Hi

Yahoo group: hamrailfans
Date: 2007-05-07 05:27:56 UTC
From: KG6SMX
Topic: 900 Message: 926

Here in Sacratomatoes

From: hamrailfans@yahoogroups.com [mailto:hamrailfans@yahoogroups.com] On Behalf Of Dennis
Sent: Friday, April 20, 2007 9:40 PM
To: hamrailfans@yahoogroups.com
Subject: [hamrailfans] Hi

Where are all the Railhams?

Dennis

[Non-text portions of this message have been removed]

927. Re: [hamrailfans] Hi

Yahoo group: hamrailfans
Date: 2007-05-07 13:59:15 UTC
From: Dean
Topic: 900 Message: 927

Hello from NW Iowa

73
Dean W5GXL

On May 7, 2007, at 12:27 AM, KG6SMX wrote:

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928. An other Checkin

Yahoo group: hamrailfans
Date: 2007-05-07 21:08:46 UTC
From: Robert Schoenfeld
Topic: 928 Message: 928

And also from the NYC area

I think most activity takes place on the RailScan list

73 de Bob WA2AQQ

929. Fw: Earthquakes

Yahoo group: hamrailfans
Date: 2007-05-19 20:09:39 UTC
From: Ricky Shuttleworth
Topic: 929 Message: 929

----- Original Message -----
From: W5RXU
To: Mark Barnhard KD5AIV
Cc: Glen King N5GK ; Fred Shay N2JAS
Sent: Saturday, May 19, 2007 10:18 AM
Subject: Fw: Earthquakes

----- Original Message -----
From: Tom, K5WTH
To: Bill Smith ; Bob King ; Glen Wolf ; Terry Busby ; wb5hil@... ; Travis williams ; Dale ; Carl ; Don Hale ; Mark Clayton ; Mark Clayton ; Kenneth Murphy
Sent: Saturday, May 19, 2007 9:51 AM
Subject: Earthquakes

During the past several hours tremors from the New Madrid Fault line have been increasing in intensity. Predictions made by the USGS office are that there could well be a large quake at anytime.
I believe it would be a good idea to contact your EC's and have them notify and have their members to stand-by in case something does occur. Also to monitor 3.937.00 and 3.987.50.
This is a simulated drill message.
73s
Tom Harris, K5WTH

No virus found in this incoming message.
Checked by AVG Free Edition.
Version: 7.5.467 / Virus Database: 269.7.4/811 - Release Date: 5/18/2007 3:50 PM

[Non-text portions of this message have been removed]

930. Equipment Upgrade

Yahoo group: hamrailfans
Date: 2007-05-20 06:10:06 UTC
From: Dennis
Topic: 930 Message: 930

Hi Group....

I want to upgrade and get a new 2m/440 dual band mobile. I probably wont be able to get it until Jan/Feb of next year but I'm starting to look now to compare and in case I free up some money earlier. Anyway...

I've narrowed it down to either the ICOM IC-208H or the Yaesu FT-7800R. I have never operated anything made by Yeasu but I currently own a ICOM 2m HT and I've dealt with some older ICOM commercial UHF stuff.

My main factor is price(I like the look of the Yeasu FT-8800R or 8900R but they are more then I want to spend).

At the moment I think the ICOM is going to win out. Mainly because the contol head seperation kit is included and the Yeasu one costs extra.

So, does anyone have any experience with either of these radios or both?

Thanks in advance,

Dennis N2UCL

931. Re: Equipment Upgrade

Yahoo group: hamrailfans
Date: 2007-05-20 11:22:59 UTC
From: Andy
Topic: 930 Message: 931

Hi Dennis:

I have owned both Icom and Yaesu. I have the FT7800 in my car. I love it! It has 1000 channels in it. I have ALL 100 North American Railroad Channels programmed into it. I've looked at that Icom you have mentioned. It just doesn't have the channels. Oh yea, I highly reconmend the FT60-R dual band HT! It also has 1000 memory channels! If you decide to get I highly reconmend the pc to radio cable and software.

Andy

932. Re: Equipment Upgrade

Yahoo group: hamrailfans
Date: 2007-05-20 11:24:06 UTC
From: Andy
Topic: 930 Message: 932

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Andy KF4JQD

933. Re: [hamrailfans] Equipment Upgrade

Yahoo group: hamrailfans
Date: 2007-05-20 12:13:07 UTC
From: Earl Needham
Topic: 930 Message: 933

At 12:10 AM 5/20/2007, Dennis wrote:
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>7800R. I have never operated anything made by Yeasu but I currently
>own a ICOM 2m HT and I've dealt with some older ICOM commercial UHF
>stuff.

Don't forget about Dayton, happening right now. Over the
next few days we'll probably hear about several new rigs and one of
them might fit the bill better. Just have to give it a few days and see.

7 3
Earl

KD5XB -- Earl Needham
Clovis, New Mexico DM84jk
http://groups.yahoo.com/group/cw_bugs

934. Re: [hamrailfans] Equipment Upgrade

Yahoo group: hamrailfans
Date: 2007-05-21 01:11:29 UTC
From: Howard Bingham
Topic: 930 Message: 934

At 01:10 AM 5/20/2007, Dennis wrote:
>Hi Group....
>
>I want to upgrade and get a new 2m/440 dual band mobile. I probably
>wont be able to get it until Jan/Feb of next year but I'm starting to
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>8900R but they are more then I want to spend).

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ICOM is easier to program than Yeasu..

If you make an error in programming most Yeasu equipment, you have to
go back to the beginning & start over per some friends who have done this..

Other than ICOM, have you considered Kenwood...?

I have been using a Kenwood TM-G707A since licensed & have not had
one moment regret, all new Kenwood mobile equipment can be easily
installed with a remote control head & equipment stashed out of site
(Such as in the trunk, or under the seat.)..

I should note that the new Kenwood TM-V708A can NOT be computer
programmed as is the TM-G707A, but that should be no problem, as
Kenwood's are quite easy to program without a computer as I have
found with my radio.

ICOM D-Star radios do require programming in order to make the
digital side of the radios to work correctly IIRC..

Personally, if I were to upgrade to a new mobile radio, I would avoid
Yeasu & go either ICOM or Kenwood..

73

Howard Bingham
KE5APJ

Radios: Kenwood TM-G707A, Ranger RCI-5054dx100, ICOM W-32A, Yaesu FT-727R

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>
>Dennis N2UCL
>
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935. Re: Equipment Upgrade

Yahoo group: hamrailfans
Date: 2007-05-21 03:21:30 UTC
From: Dave
Topic: 930 Message: 935

While Yaesu software itself is a pain to use, the RT Systems software is much easier and well worth the cost to use. My main radio's have all been Yaesu models, FT2600, FT1500, a pair of FT90's which I currently use, and an FT7800 which is my newest radio. Both the FT90's & the 7800 have the remote kit. Handheld wise, I have both an FT50, and a VX6R, all of which I program via the computer using the RT Systems software.

Work wise I have also had a Kenwood 271a and a Vertex VX3000, plus a couple of GE/Maxxon 16 & 32 channel radio's, all of which are/were mainly RR radio's. My current work truck has the VX3000 in it along with one of the FT90's.

Dave

KB9WPC

--- In hamrailfans@yahoogroups.com, Howard Bingham <howardb@...> wrote:
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> Howard Bingham
> KE5APJ
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> >Thanks in advance,
> >
> >Dennis N2UCL
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936. Equipment Upgrade

Yahoo group: hamrailfans
Date: 2007-05-24 06:02:01 UTC
From: Dennis
Topic: 930 Message: 936

Thanks Andy, Earl, Howard, and Dave....

I appreciate the info and opinions.

Earl, I've thought about someone coming out with a new radio or one of these two being discontinued before Feb. Of course, if one was discontinued that would make my decision easier.

Howard, I have no experience with the kenwood Ham stuff but our new HTs at work are Kenwoods. They don't seem to be too popular compared to the old stuff but we are comparing them to Motorola. I know Kenwood did have a triband mobile years back that I had been interested in. Right now, the Kenwoods are more money then I wanted to spend as I'm trying to keep it under $300.

As I said, I've never used Yaesu stuff but that quad bander did catch my eye. Its out of my projected price range but have been wanting to get into 6 meter and there is not much out there.

I'm thinking alot more seriously about the Yeasu radio now. I really only considered it because of the price but it seems to be well like by its owners.

Anyway, thanks again :)

Dennis N2UCL

937. Re: [hamrailfans] Equipment Upgrade

Yahoo group: hamrailfans
Date: 2007-05-24 12:26:32 UTC
From: Neil R. Ormos N9NL
Topic: 930 Message: 937

Hi Dennis:

Regarding your quest for a new radio, one feature that I find extremely useful is dual receive, where the radio can receive on two frequencies at once. I use this for railfanning and for amateur radio activities. The typical use in railfanning is to listen continuously to the channel used by the railroad I'm watching on one VFO, and to scan other railroads on the other VFO, to see if activity elsewhere justifies moving. You could do the same thing with two radios or scanners, but having the capability in one radio is more convenient and less hassle. It's worth paying more (at least to me) for this feature.

The term dual watch sometimes indicates the radio has dual receive, but not always. In some cases, the term is applied to radios with two "VFOs" where the radio will scan rapidly between the two VFOs.

Just my two cents worth.

73

--Neil Ormos N9NL

938. Re: Equipment Upgrade

Yahoo group: hamrailfans
Date: 2007-05-29 06:23:58 UTC
From: Dennis
Topic: 930 Message: 938

Hi Neil,

Thanks for the reply. I think I know what you mean...I hate when the radio is scanning through frequencies and I miss the important stuff...especialy if you have a radio with a slow scan rate. I have particular problems wih the Florida East Coast where the Disp transmits on one channel and everyone else transmits on another. It can get difficult to follow sometimes and you can't add anything else into the mix.

Now I'm thinking about seeing if the old Alinco will still work for a while(I found it the other day! lol) and maybe trying to buy a 6m radio. Alot to think about but I got some time to do it.

Dennis

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> --Neil Ormos N9NL

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940. Re: [hamrailfans] Yahoo! Groups - SexyJoy has sent you a friend request

Yahoo group: hamrailfans
Date: 2007-06-18 03:04:38 UTC
From: David Rust
Topic: 939 Message: 940

I get this crap on every Yahoo group. How do you get away from it? When you unsubscribe its too late. It keeps on showing up in the inbox.

[Non-text portions of this message have been removed]

941. Re: [hamrailfans] Yahoo! Groups

Yahoo group: hamrailfans
Date: 2007-06-18 07:47:40 UTC
From: Harry Marnell
Topic: 941 Message: 941

New members here are supposed to be automatically on "moderated" status; I don't know how that one slipped through. It's fixed now, though.

Harry / N6URU
Moderator

David Rust wrote:
> I get this crap on every Yahoo group. How do you get away from it?
> When you unsubscribe its too late. It keeps on showing up in the
> inbox.

942. Re: [hamrailfans] Yahoo! Groups - SexyJoy has sent you a friend request

Yahoo group: hamrailfans
Date: 2007-06-18 09:56:54 UTC
From: Howard Bingham
Topic: 939 Message: 942

The list owner needs to change the group settings to "moderate new members"..

I sent the owner an *off list* message to that effect..

I own or moderate a dozen lists & haven't had any spam get past the
moderation point, so members do not get trash..

Howard Bingham
KE5APJ

At 10:04 PM 6/17/2007, David Rust wrote:
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>it? When you unsubscribe its too late. It keeps on showing up in the inbox.
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943. RE: [hamrailfans] Yahoo! Groups - SexyJoy has sent you a friend request

Yahoo group: hamrailfans
Date: 2007-06-18 17:46:07 UTC
From: John Beall
Topic: 939 Message: 943

Howard,

I get these SPAMMERS as well, even on groups where their adds are accepted(i.e. adult groups). Maybe the best way to filter them out is to inform YAHOO to not allow them access in the first place, these clowns seem to bypass Join the Group process in the first place. So maybe filtering the user profile might be the best way. Good Luck,

John KA3USB

From: hamrailfans@yahoogroups.com [mailto:hamrailfans@yahoogroups.com] On Behalf Of Howard Bingham
Sent: Monday, June 18, 2007 5:57 AM
To: hamrailfans@yahoogroups.com
Subject: Re: [hamrailfans] Yahoo! Groups - SexyJoy has sent you a friend request

The list owner needs to change the group settings to "moderate new members"..

I sent the owner an *off list* message to that effect..

I own or moderate a dozen lists & haven't had any spam get past the moderation point, so members do not get trash..

Howard Bingham
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At 10:04 PM 6/17/2007, David Rust wrote:
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[Non-text portions of this message have been removed]

944. Re: [hamrailfans] Yahoo! Groups - SexyJoy has sent you a friend request

Yahoo group: hamrailfans
Date: 2007-06-18 18:16:08 UTC
From: Harry Marnell
Topic: 939 Message: 944

Guys,

The group IS set to "moderate new members," and has been for a long time. Apparently the setting was inadvertently changed, and I fixed it as soon as I saw that one had come through. All 18 yahoogroups I own or co-own are set that way, as are most of the 9 on which I am a moderator. It works VERY well (except when the setting gets somehow changed).

Only after a member has made several posts that prove he/she is legit do they get changed to "unmoderated" status.

I thought I had posted this information yesterday in message http://groups.yahoo.com/group/hamrailfans/message/941 but apparently I hadn't.

It's fixed.

Harry

John Beall wrote:
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945. Fw: I'm Honored to be Your Friend

Yahoo group: hamrailfans
Date: 2007-06-19 00:59:14 UTC
From: Ricky Shuttleworth
Topic: 945 Message: 945

To: "Undisclosed-Recipient:;"@...
Sent: Monday, June 18, 2007 7:18 PM
Subject: Fw: I'm Honored to be Your Friend

Have you ever been just sitting there and all of a sudden you feel like doing something nice for someone you care for? THAT'S GOD talking to you through the Holy Spirit.

Have you ever been down and out and nobody seems to be around for you to talk to? THAT'S GOD wanting you to talk to Him.

Have you ever been thinking about somebody that you haven't seen in a long time and then next thing you know you see them or receive a phone call from them? THAT'S GOD. There is no such thing as coincidence.

Have you ever received something wonderful that you didn't even ask for, like money in the mail, a debt that had mysteriously been cleared, or a coupon to a department store where you had just seen something you needed, but couldn't afford? THAT'S GOD knowing the desires of your heart.

Have you ever been in a situation and you had no clue how it was going to get better, how the hurting would stop, how the pain would ease, but now you look back on it.
THAT'S GOD passing us through tribulation to see a brighter day.

Do you think that this e-mail was accidentally sent to you?
NO! I was thinking of you! !

Keep this going. You have no idea which one of Your e-mail buddies could use a little hope today

Dear God...

I know you're watching over me
And I'm feeling truly blessed
For no matter what I pray for
You always know what's best!

I have this circle of E-mail friends,
Who mean a lot to me;
Some days I "send" and "send,"
At other times, I let them be.

I am so blessed to have these friends,
With whom I've grown so close;
So this little poem I dictate to them,
Because to me they are the "Most"!

When I see each name download,
And view the message they've sent;
I know they've thought of me that day,
And "well wishes" were their intent.

So to you, my friends, I would like to say,
Thank you for being a part;
Of all my daily contacts,
This comes right from my heart.

God bless you all is my prayer today,
I'm honored to call you "friend";
I pray God will keep you safe,
Until we write again.
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946. Re: [hamrailfans] Fw: I'm Honored to be Your Friend

Yahoo group: hamrailfans
Date: 2007-06-19 01:07:21 UTC
From: David Rust
Topic: 945 Message: 946

I'm going to unsubscribe after this one. Sure as the world an "unsubscribe" now won't stop these junk emails. It didn't on Ten-Tec or Drake Radios. They keep right on coming.
w0dlr

[Non-text portions of this message have been removed]

947. Re: [hamrailfans] Fw: I'm Honored to be Your Friend

Yahoo group: hamrailfans
Date: 2007-06-19 01:11:30 UTC
From: Ricky Shuttleworth
Topic: 945 Message: 947

I'm sorry I didn't mean to send it to this address. I'm not sure what I did. Ricky S.
----- Original Message -----
From: David Rust
To: hamrailfans@yahoogroups.com
Sent: Monday, June 18, 2007 8:07 PM
Subject: Re: [hamrailfans] Fw: I'm Honored to be Your Friend

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948. Fwd: ECHO / Red Cross - Ham Class 10/2-11/13

Yahoo group: hamrailfans
Date: 2007-09-12 17:21:50 UTC
From: Howard Bingham
Topic: 948 Message: 948

FYI:

This is aimed at those new to the hobby in the Houston, Tx. area..

Please pass this on to anyone you know who may be just one step away
from being licensed in the SE Texas area..

Howard Bingham
KE5APJ

Member: ARRL, BVARC and ECHO

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>Date: Wed, 12 Sep 2007 09:23:06 -0700 (PDT)
>From: Charlie Matthew N0XFD <n0xfd@...>
>Subject: ECHO / Red Cross - Ham Class 10/2-11/13
>To: n0xfd@...
>
>The following is an Announcement - Please pass on to all interested
>parties as you see fit.
>
>HAM RADIO CLASS
>Instruction for obtaining your Technician Level Ham Radio License from the FCC
>
>Sponsored by:
>The Houston ECHO Society
>and
>Greater Houston Area Chapter American Red Cross
>
>October 2 - November 13
>Tuesday Evenings - 7:00pm-9:30pm
>
>There will be 6 class sessions covering a different portion of the
>book each week. The 7th and last class session will be a ARRL VE
>Testing session to take the actual FCC test to obtain your license.
>
>The class will be using the ARRL Ham Radio Licensing Manual as the
>textbook for the class. Discounted books will be available for
>purchase at the first class session or you may use one that you
>already my have. The book retails for about $24.95.
>
>Loaner textbooks will be available for the duration of the class but
>must be returned to ECHO at the November 13 test session. A small
>donation to ECHO is suggested for use of the loaner book, but by no
>means is it required. The registration fee will be used to offset
>cost for copies and materials used in the class. Registration and

>Textbook fees will be collected at the first class session.
>
>Registration - $20 (does not include the book)
>Textbook - $20 (if you need to purchase a book)
>
>To register contact Charlie Matthew - N0XFD at
><mailto:n0xfd@...>n0xfd@... or leave a message at 713-313-5319.
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>
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949. Florida

Yahoo group: hamrailfans
Date: 2007-09-28 04:59:15 UTC
From: Dennis
Topic: 949 Message: 949

Hi Group,

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Dennis N2UCL

950. RE: [hamrailfans] Florida

Yahoo group: hamrailfans
Date: 2007-09-28 06:05:49 UTC
From: KG6SMX
Topic: 949 Message: 950

Any chance you'll be operating on HF?

From: hamrailfans@yahoogroups.com [mailto:hamrailfans@yahoogroups.com] On Behalf Of Dennis
Sent: Thursday, September 27, 2007 9:59 PM
To: hamrailfans@yahoogroups.com
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951. Re: Florida

Yahoo group: hamrailfans
Date: 2007-10-02 06:07:59 UTC
From: Dennis
Topic: 949 Message: 951

Hi,

Nope... just 2 meters on an HT.

Dennis

--- In hamrailfans@yahoogroups.com, "KG6SMX" <kg6smx@...> wrote:
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952. Ham radio technician class in Houston, Tx.

Yahoo group: hamrailfans
Date: 2008-02-06 20:42:10 UTC
From: Howard Bingham
Topic: 952 Message: 952

Starting February 9th. and running for 3 consecutive Saturdays, the Brazos Valley Amateur Radio Club (BVARC) will conduct a FREE technician license course, culminating with VEC testing at the Greater Houston Hamfest on March 1st.

For details, contact: John Chauvin at: <mailto:K5IZO@...> , OR: Ross Lawler at: <mailto:W5HFF@...>

As noted, there is no charge unless one has not acquired the ARRL Ham Radio License Manual (Copies will be available for purchase if one doesn't have them, but PLEASE e-mail either of the two above e-mail addresses before attending.).

The classes will be held at an office complex near the intersection of Westpark and Gessner in West Houston. Details will be given upon e-mailing the above contacts.

Additionl details at: www.bvarc.org

73

Howard Bingham
KE5APJ - EL29gq

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953. Fwd: [BVARC] Mini-Antenna Seminar -- BVARC Club meeting Thursday May 8th 7PM

Yahoo group: hamrailfans
Date: 2008-05-07 21:11:19 UTC
From: Howard Bingham
Topic: 953 Message: 953

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If in Houston area, stop by the Sugar Land
Community Center Thursday night for an
interesting antenna mini-seminar and meet local hams..

The Sugar Land Community Center is located across
the street from the Sugar Land USPS, and is i
block south of US-90 & the former Imperial Sugar
plant (The Imperial Sugar sign is a night time landmark..! ).

73

Howard Bingham
KE5APJ - EL29gq
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>From: "Rick Hiller" <rhiller@...>
>To: <bvarc@...>,
> <HQRP@yahoogroups.com>
>Date: Wed, 7 May 2008 14:03:48 -0500
>X-pstn-levels: (S:99.90000/99.90000
>CV:99.0000 R:95.9108 P:95.9108 M:97.0282 C:98.6951)
>X-Antivirus: AVG for E-mail 7.5.524 [269.23.9/1418]
>
>To all Houston area Hams.
>
>Subject: ☐The 5 Tennas☐
>
>The monthly meeting of the Brazos Valley Amateur
>Radio Club will be held tomorrow evening, Thursday, May 8.
>
>The technical presentation is entitled ☐The 5
>Tennas☐. This mini-antenna seminar will
>highlight the practical aspects of 5 very
>different antennas, presented by 5 different
>BVARC members. The antennas presented will be
>a shortened 75 meter dipole, a 10 meter Moxon
>rectangle, a W8JK phased HF array, a 40/80 meter
>Delta Loop and a 4 element Stepper IR and tower installation.
>
>We invite you to attend and ask that you also
>invite all of your Ham friends to attend this
>special BVARC meeting and mini-antenna seminar.
>
>Our meetings are held on the 2nd Thursday of the

>month at 7:30PM at the Sugar Land Community
>Center, just south of the old sugar mill off Hwy
>90 at 226 Matlege Way, directly across from the Sugar Land Post Office.
>
>Details at <http://www.bvarc.com/>www.bvarc.com talk in at 145.47 (123.0)
>
>Questions to me at
><mailto:rhiller@...>rhiller@... ☐ Rick ☐ W5RH
>
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[Non-text portions of this message have been removed]

954. Golden Gate Railroad Museum, 2472 Niles Canyon Railway

Yahoo group: hamrailfans
Date: 2008-05-09 01:26:23 UTC
From: Chris
Topic: 954 Message: 954

Hi The 2472 is going to be running on Memorial day, anyone out there going to be on the train?

Anyone know a repeater to use in that area?

Chris

955. Houston, Tx. Ham classes...Fwd: ECHO / ARC Ham Classes 2008

Yahoo group: hamrailfans
Date: 2008-05-20 20:21:00 UTC
From: Howard Bingham
Topic: 955 Message: 955

If in Houston, TX area and interested in becoming a ham, or upgrading
an existing license, check this out..

Past classes have been full on the first day, PRE-REGISTRATION
strongly recommended..

The classes are held at the Houston Red Cross HQ at 2700 Southwest
Freeway (Kirby Exit, either way, third driveway west of Kirby Drive
on North side of SW Freeway)..

Howard Bingham
KE5APJ
Member ECHO Society www.w5eco.org

>Date: Tue, 20 May 2008 06:59:27 -0700 (PDT)
>From: Charlie Matthew N0XFD <n0xfd@...>
>Subject: ECHO / ARC Ham Classes 2008
>To: Charlie Matthew HAM <n0xfd@...>
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>Please distribute this information to those who may be interested in
>attending a Ham Radio Class - Submitting to newsletters is encouraged.
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>HAM RADIO CLASSES
>Instruction for obtaining your Ham Radio License from the FCC
>
>Sponsored by:
>The Houston ECHO Society
>and
>Greater Houston Area Chapter American Red Cross
>
>Technician License Class (Level I)
>June 3 - 24
>Tuesday & Thursday Evenings - 6:30pm-9:30pm
>
>Technician License Class (Level I)
>September 2 - 24**
>Tuesday & Thursday Evenings - 6:30pm-9:30pm
>(**no class 9/11 - class on wed 9/10 instead)
>
>General License Class (Level II)

>October 1 - 28
>Tuesday & Thursday Evenings - 6:30pm-9:30pm
>
>All Classes held at:
>GHAC Main Chapter Building
>2700 S.W. Freeway - Houston, TX 77098
><http://maps.yahoo.com/#mvt=m&q1=2700%20Southwest%20Fwy%2C%20HOUSTON%2C%20TX%2C%2077098-4
607&trf=0&lon=-95.42068&lat=29.731104&mag=3>--click
>for map link--
>
>INFO
>There will be 7 class sessions, the 7th and last class session will
>be a ARRL VE Testing session to take the actual FCC test to obtain
>your license. The classes will be using the ARRL Ham Radio Licensing
>Manuals as the textbook for the class. Discounted books will be
>available for purchase at the first class session or you may use one
>that you already my have. The books retail for about $24.95. Loaner
>textbooks will be available for the duration of the class but must
>be returned to ECHO at the November 13 test session. The
>registration fee will be used to offset cost for copies and
>materials used in the class and is collected at the first class session.
>
>Registration
>Registration - $20
>Textbook - $20 (if you do not already have one)
>loaner books available
>checks payable to "Houston ECHO Society"
>
>To register contact Charlie Matthew - N0XFD at
><mailto:n0xfd@...>n0xfd@... or leave a message at 713-313-5319.
>
>Preregistration is recommended to insure a spot is saved for you in
>the class. Walk-ins on the first day of class only will be accepted
>provided there is available space in the class.
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>-Charlie N0XFD
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>Charlie Matthew - N0XFD
>Chair - Disaster Communications Committee -- Volunteer Disaster Services
>ECRV 4707 - Coordinator -- Volunteer Disaster Services
>Greater Houston Area Chapter - American Red Cross (GHAC ARC)
>Red Cross Cell: 281-709-7265 (nextel direct connect - 143*6032*433)
>Personal Cell / Home: 713-498-9802 -- Work: 713-743-5191
>e-mail: <mailto:n0xfd@...>n0xfd@...
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956. MOTOROLA MT1000 HT RADIO FOR SALE

Yahoo group: hamrailfans
Date: 2008-06-15 19:20:57 UTC
From: Gary Sturm
Topic: 956 Message: 956

Purchased from LinzaleX on Ebay.

Covers RR Ch2 thru Ch 97.

In great working condition.

HT Radio w/antenna, battery, and charger.

Contact off-line for details.

Thanks,

Gary L. Sturm
g.sturm@...

[Non-text portions of this message have been removed]

957. CQ CQ Special Event Station K5T June 16-22 with LSR 2008

Yahoo group: hamrailfans
Date: 2008-06-19 13:35:03 UTC
From: n8qvt
Topic: 957 Message: 957

K5T special event station notice

Jun 17-Jun 22, 0000Z-2100Z, Fort Worth/Dallas, TX. K5T. National Railway Historical Society 2008 Convention. 28.450 18.150 14.250 7.280. QSL. Harry Fasick K3EYL. www.lonestarrails2008.com

958. K5T Special Event highballing across the airwaves! (20m, 40 m)

Yahoo group: hamrailfans
Date: 2008-06-19 13:41:43 UTC
From: n8qvt
Topic: 958 Message: 958

K5T Special Event highballing across the airwaves!

Special event station K5T went on the air 7pm Central time, June 16 (July 17, 0000 UTC) and continues through June 21. K5T operates in the evening around 14.240 (20m), and occasionally at 28.450, 18.150, 7.280 depending on band conditions.

K5T celebrates the history and hobby of railroading, the international spirit of the amateur radio service, and the 2008 national convention of the National Railway History Society in Fort Worth, Texas, June 16-22, 2008. In its first 3 days of operation, Special Event Station K5T has made contact with more than 240 ham stations in North America and beyond.

Ham radio operators Harry Fasick K3EYL and Valli Hoski N8QVT have made contacts with fellow hams coast to coast in the US, as well as international contacts with hams in Canada and Ecuador. Contact with K5T was even more special for Mike, a new ham from Mineville NY. His contact with operator Valli N8QVT was his first QSO (on the air contact) as a newly licensed ham!

K5T has made contact with amateur radio operators in these states and more: Massachusetts (including the foothills of the Berkshires, home of the lovely Berk locomotive), New Hampshire, Vermont, New York, New Jersey, Pennsylvania, Maryland, Virginia, North Carolina, Illinois, Michigan, California, Oregon, Washington state, Texas and Louisiana and many more. Canada contacts included Ontario, Manitoba, Alberta, and Saskatchewan.

QSL manager K3EYL(email: K3EYL@...) or by mail to the address shown for K3EYL at www.qrz.com. Send your QSL card and SASE please.

959. Re: CQ CQ Special Event Station K5T June 16-22 with LSR 2008

Yahoo group: hamrailfans
Date: 2008-06-19 15:50:46 UTC
From: n8qvt
Topic: 957 Message: 959

Lone Star Rails 2008 is this year's annual convention of the National Railway Historical Society. It is in Fort Worth, Texas, June 16-22, 2008.

K5T is not on-site at the convention, but is being operated by members of the convention volunteer team from their home location.

Convention information: www.lonestarrails2008.com

K5T info on the LSR 2008 site:
http://www.lonestarrails2008.com/resources/k5t.pdf

960. Related Hobbies, Related Loves - Ham & Rail Enthusiast program @ HamCom 2007

Yahoo group: hamrailfans
Date: 2008-06-19 16:28:15 UTC
From: n8qvt
Topic: 960 Message: 960

Long before I became aware of this Yahoo group, I gave a presentation on "Hams & Rail Enthusiasts: Related Loves, Related Hobbies" at HamCom 2007.

HamCom is the annual hamfest in northeast Texas, now held in Plano (formerly in Arlington.) The program covers some great special events held to commemorate rail history and historical rail operations.

Take a look at the presentation for some nice QSL card views, and more about the ways our mutual hobbies relate at http://www.ntxnrhs.org/hamcom07_files/frame.htm

Many thanks to my local NRHS chapter, the North Texas Chapter hosting that file. (I also happen to be the North Texas Zephyr newsletter editor. Hihi.)

I gave a follow-up talk at HamCom 2008, just a week ago, about the story behind K5T - how hams can do "outreach on the airwaves" special events with other hobby groups to showcase ham radio and the value we bring to their activities.

Program presentation should be on the www.hamcom.org site soon. If you want a copy of the *large* file, email me at N8QVT@....

961. K5T news in North Texas Zephyr newsletter, special issue

Yahoo group: hamrailfans
Date: 2008-06-19 16:51:30 UTC
From: n8qvt
Topic: 957 Message: 961

The North Texas Zephyr, the North Texas Chapter, NRHS' monthly newsletter, featured a special article on K5T in its latest "news extra" issue* on Lone Star
Rails 2008. You can read that issue and article at

NTZ "News Extra" on K5T and LSR 2008 events
<http://www.ntxnrhs.org/resources/ntxnews06.pdf>

The North Texas Zephyr is the chapter's monthly newsletter, while the "news extra" special section is done quarterly. You can read the monthly issue's front page online at:

North Texas Zephyr newsletter, issue list
<http://www.ntxnrhs.org/zephyr.aspx>

I happen to be the editor of the North Texas Zephyr, and hope you enjoy reading it! You can also read more of our "news extra" quarterly issues on Lone Star Rails 2008, enjoy the great writing and photography at the newsletter link above.

Ham radio, railroading, writing, doing programs- when do I have time for life?
My wonderful OM, Harry K3EYL is always at my side, what a blessing!

Valli N8QVT, dedicated ham, railfan , and librarian
Editor, North Texas Zephyr
VP Publications, North Texas Chapter

[Non-text portions of this message have been removed]

962. Field Day 2008

Yahoo group: hamrailfans
Date: 2008-06-28 17:23:20 UTC
From: Neil R. Ormos N9NL
Topic: 962 Message: 962

To Illinois Hams:

ARRL Field Day is THIS WEEKEND.

Field Day is many things to many people:

a emergency communications exercise;

a contest;

an opportunity to enjoy aspects of ham radio for
which your home station may not be equipped;

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techniques useful in field operations;

and a place to rekindle old frienships and form
new ones, while enjoying our fantastic late-June
weather.

Most club/group Field Day operations welcome
visitors. To find a Field Day operation near you,
try our Illinois Field Day directory:

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information we could not verify this year.
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displayed information with the club/group to be
visited.

73

--Neil Ormos N9NL
District Emergency Coordinator
Amateur Radio Emergency Service
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963. Re: [hamrailfans] Field Day 2008

Yahoo group: hamrailfans
Date: 2008-06-28 18:03:28 UTC
From: Howard Bingham
Topic: 962 Message: 963

In Houston, TX area, the Brazos Valley Amateur Radio
Club <http://www.bvarc.com> will be calling under the club call KK5W..

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964. Re: [hamrailfans] Field Day 2008

Yahoo group: hamrailfans
Date: 2008-06-28 21:28:39 UTC
From: John Beall
Topic: 962 Message: 964

Good Luck Howard, It's been since 1989 since I attended one of these field Day thing, was a lot of fun to be out all day and night talking to the world.

John KA3USB

p.s. which remindes me I have to send in my renewal before next year.

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965. Re: [hamrailfans] Field Day 2008

Yahoo group: hamrailfans
Date: 2008-06-29 07:54:33 UTC
From: Howard Bingham
Topic: 962 Message: 965

A good time was had by all on Saturday afternoon, although QSO counts appeared to be down from prior years, both 10 & 6m were pretty dead in our area with only a few contacts being made Saturday afternoon..

Given the count doesn't stop until tomorrow, will have to wait & see what Sunday brings.

Nothing like a day in the country with fellow hams & an occasional whistle heard from passing trains about a 1/2 mile away..

Seems food tastes better outdoors..! We did have AC equipped areas for those who were staying all night, some were camping out on the site..

73

Howard
KE5APJ

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966. NS 146520

Yahoo group: hamrailfans
Date: 2008-07-17 14:08:27 UTC
From: Robert Schoenfeld
Topic: 966 Message: 966

Take a look on page 20 of the July QST Hopper car NS 146520 Photoed by WA3J maybe we should follow it like a car was on the Railroad List?

73 de Bob WA2AQQ

967. Technician Class--South Suburbs--Begins 11 September

Yahoo group: hamrailfans
Date: 2008-08-12 22:42:21 UTC
From: Neil R. Ormos N9NL
Topic: 967 Message: 967

Dear Chicago-Area Hams (and Prospective Hams):

Gregg Rosenberg AB9MZ, the ARES? Assistant Emergency Coordinator for Tinley Park, has asked me to let you know about an amateur radio Technician license class beginning in September. The class is hosted by Tinley Park EMA and is cosponsored by several south-suburban radio clubs. I've condensed Gregg's announcement below, but full information is available in the official announcement at the URL provided.

This class would be a great opportunity to bring your friends, family, and co-workers into amateur radio. If you know anyone who might be interested, please tell them about the class.

Thanks and 73,

--Neil Ormos N9NL
District Emergency Coordinator
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Tinley Park Emergency Management Agency will host an Amateur Radio Technician class license Exam Preparation Course on Thursdays starting September 11th, 2008 from 7:00 to 9:30 PM. There will be six classroom sessions and a final review session. The cost is $35 per student for course materials. The Hamfesters Radio Club, the Suburban Technical Amateur Radio System (STARS), and the Tri-Town Radio Club are all cosponsoring this class.

For more complete information on the class, please see the official announcement here:

<http://pages.ripco.net/~ormos/tpema-technician-class-0809a.pdf>

For further information or to register, please contact:

Gregg Rosenberg AB9MZ
ab9mz@...
708 267 6664 Cell

708 444 2690 Office (9:00AM until 9:00PM)
708 444 2697 Fax

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968. Sorry (Was: [hamrailfans] Technician Class--South Suburbs--Begins 11 September)

Yahoo group: hamrailfans
Date: 2008-08-12 22:51:21 UTC
From: Neil Ormos H
Topic: 967 Message: 968

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> Dear Chicago-Area Hams (and Prospective Hams):

Sorry folks. Didn't mean to spam a non-Chicago-area list
with this stuff.

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--Neil Ormos N9NL

969. Re: [hamrailfans] Digest Number 487

Yahoo group: hamrailfans
Date: 2008-08-14 01:13:09 UTC
From: VM Hoski
Topic: 969 Message: 969

In a most amazing coincidence, I received the news here in Dallas/Fort Worth, where my colleagues and I (North Texas Chapter NRHS) are recovering from having hosted Lone Star Rails 2008, the NRHS Annual Convention here in June.

But, I'm also a ham, a Chicagoan, been in TX for too many years (16+), and my OM (hubbie) and I going home north real soon now.

Small, small, weird, wired / wireless world.

VH, N8QVT
Email: N8QVT@...

--- On Wed, 8/13/08, hamrailfans@yahoogroups.com <hamrailfans@yahoogroups.com> wrote:

> From: hamrailfans@yahoogroups.com <hamrailfans@yahoogroups.com>
> Subject: [hamrailfans] Digest Number 487
> To: hamrailfans@yahoogroups.com
> Date: Wednesday, August 13, 2008, 7:09 AM
> There are 2 messages in this issue.
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> Topics in this digest:
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> 1a. Technician Class--South Suburbs--Begins 11 September
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> From: Neil R. Ormos N9NL
> 1b. Sorry (Was: [hamrailfans] Technician Class--South
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970. ARRL and TAPR Digital Communications Conference

Yahoo group: hamrailfans
Date: 2008-08-19 22:23:36 UTC
From: Howard Bingham
Topic: 970 Message: 970

For details on the ARRL - TAPR Digital Communications Conference to be held September 26 - 28, 2008, Click this URL:

<http://www.tapr.org/dcc.html>

Note: There will be workshops on D-Star and other digital communication technologies.

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Howard Bingham * E-mail: howardb@...
KE5APJ - Monitoring Salt Grass Link System
<http://saltgrasslinksystem.com>
Member: BVARC <http://www.bvarc.org>
Member: ECHO <http://www.w5eco.org>
Member: ARRL <http://www.arrl.org>

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971. Ham/Railfans Database

Yahoo group: hamrailfans
Date: 2008-09-02 02:21:20 UTC
From: Dennis
Topic: 971 Message: 971

Hello Group,

Over at the Railscan group, we have a database of over 135 Railfan/hams. If anyone is interested, please stop by and add your name and call to the database.

http://finance.groups.yahoo.com/group/RailScan/

Thanks,

Dennis N2UCL

972. New member

Yahoo group: hamrailfans
Date: 2008-09-02 02:33:47 UTC
From: Glenn Blum
Topic: 847 Message: 972

I am in Nolanville, Texas listening to the Lampassas sub of the BNSF.
Glenn Blum
kd5dga

[Non-text portions of this message have been removed]

973. Central Texas

Yahoo group: hamrailfans
Date: 2008-09-02 02:58:10 UTC
From: Glenn Blum
Topic: 973 Message: 973

Good evening,
I am in Nolanville, Texas (em11ec)
I am wondering how many folks in the central Texas area are a ham railfan?
Glenn Blum
kd5dga

[Non-text portions of this message have been removed]

974. Any other Railhams in the S F Bay area

Yahoo group: hamrailfans
Date: 2008-09-02 03:28:40 UTC
From: pcornyn
Topic: 974 Message: 974

I am in Brisbane any others in the area.

975. RE: [hamrailfans] Any other Railhams in the S F Bay area

Yahoo group: hamrailfans
Date: 2008-09-02 03:48:11 UTC
From: KG6SMX
Topic: 974 Message: 975

I'm at bit east of you, What used to be the MP 98.3 on the Martinez sub is a couple of miles west of me.

From: hamrailfans@yahoogroups.com [mailto:hamrailfans@yahoogroups.com] On Behalf Of pcornyn
Sent: Monday, September 01, 2008 8:29 PM
To: hamrailfans@yahoogroups.com
Subject: [hamrailfans] Any other Railhams in the S F Bay area

I am in Brisbane any others in the area.

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976. Intro to group

Yahoo group: hamrailfans
Date: 2008-09-02 04:12:58 UTC
From: Victor E. Heise
Topic: 976 Message: 976

Greetings,
I am new to this group that a fellow rail ham told me about. I live on the UP Chester Sub in Scott City (Illmo) Missouri around D124. I would like to see an amateur rail activity in my area.

I am running a program called Train Talk that tracks the status of every train with an EOT connected to it. I try to run it 24/7 and collect the data as to when the trains roll through here. I did some modifications where each time a new eot is detected, I have the system call my cell phone to page me.

73's

Victor E. Heise/N9TSA
UP Chester Sub MP 124
Scott City (Illmo) MO

977. Re: [hamrailfans] New member

Yahoo group: hamrailfans
Date: 2008-09-02 07:30:39 UTC
From: Howard Bingham
Topic: 847 Message: 977

Glenn Blum wrote:

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> Glenn Blum
> kd5dga
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While I am not exactly new to the list, maybe it is a good time for all to include the rail line they are closest to in an intro to other group members..

I live within 1,000 ft. of the UP Houston Terminal Sub (Formerly SP Terminal Sub, AKA: Sunset Route.).

Howard Bingham, in sw Houston, Tx. at mp 372 UP Houston Terminal Sub
KE5APJ

PS: I am also active with both NARP & NRHS in addition to several local ham clubs..

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978. ADMIN NOTE: Grouply

Yahoo group: hamrailfans
Date: 2008-09-02 19:01:42 UTC
From: John Gleichweit
Topic: 978 Message: 978

Grouply is not wanted in any of my groups. Anyone found to have signed up with Grouply will be immediately banned. I don't care what the owner of Grouply might say, any time that you give up your username and password to a third party, especially one that shouldn't be trusted, you're asking for trouble, and I want none of it. Please read the Yahoo TOS #5, and the YahooGroups Guidelines #11.

http://www.ncs-tech.org/?p=1146

http://ungrouply.wordpress.com/category/grouply-spam/

http://www.ygroupsblog.com/blog/2008/02/15/member-account-passwordsecurity-and-groups-3rd-party-websites-usage/
http://tinyurl.com/2u3987

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John "Smokey Behr" Gleichweit FF1/EMT, CCNA, MCSE
IPN-CAL023 N6FOG UP Fresno Sub MP183.5 ECV1852
List Owner x10, Moderator x9 CA-OES 51-507
http://smokeybehr.blogspot.com
http://www.myspace.com/smokeybehr

979. RE: [hamrailfans] Any other Railhams in the S F Bay area

Yahoo group: hamrailfans
Date: 2008-09-03 00:03:00 UTC
From: Christopher Quirk
Topic: 974 Message: 979

Hi I am out in San Ramon, north of hearst siding and niles canyon.

Chris

W6CJQ

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980. New Member Oxford Mississippi

Yahoo group: hamrailfans
Date: 2008-09-03 11:00:58 UTC
From: Daniel Michel
Topic: 980 Message: 980

I am a new member from Oxford MS & University of Miss (OLE MISS) Not much Rail Roads here in town anymore. But about 5 miles North of town there is Catapiller and Winchester Plants. A main railroad tracks about 25 miles North of here, Between Memphis TN and B'Ham Ala. (BNSF). Also some tracks about 30 miles South, mostly Union Pacific around Bruce, MS.

981. Railroad Internet Streams

Yahoo group: hamrailfans
Date: 2008-09-03 18:38:56 UTC
From: Pete
Topic: 981 Message: 981

All,

Here is my new railroad internet stream web site. Covering a large percentage of Washington State and its class 1 railroads.

www.psrrr.net

Listen live to 7 diffrent key locations around the state. We are expanding to Oregon and Idaho very soon. Two of the streams are co-located with my ham repeater system in Western Washington.

Happy listening.

Pete N7KFJ

982. Re: [hamrailfans] Railroad Internet Streams

Yahoo group: hamrailfans
Date: 2008-09-04 03:21:51 UTC
From: Howard Bingham
Topic: 981 Message: 982

At 01:38 PM 9/3/2008, Pete wrote:
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>Pete N7KFJ
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Not that I am a spoil sport, but isn't repeating a conversation on
radio without permission of both parties slightly illegal..?

Someone tried a similar project in Houston, Tx. a few years ago &
once UPRR legal beagles got on the scene, the site was down faster
than it went up..

Howard Bingham

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983. Re: Railroad Internet Streams

Yahoo group: hamrailfans
Date: 2008-09-04 16:53:47 UTC
From: Jerry Green
Topic: 981 Message: 983

I think the "communication act of 1934" says it all, Howard.

Jerry

KC4GGU

[Non-text portions of this message have been removed]

984. Re: [hamrailfans] Re: Railroad Internet Streams

Yahoo group: hamrailfans
Date: 2008-09-04 17:12:20 UTC
From: Rob Richardson
Topic: 981 Message: 984

What does the act say? There's one web site I know that provides something like 50 different streams of railroad audio. Is that illegal too?

RobR

[Non-text portions of this message have been removed]

985. Re: [hamrailfans] Re: Railroad Internet Streams

Yahoo group: hamrailfans
Date: 2008-09-04 19:17:02 UTC
From: Bill Krayenhagen
Topic: 981 Message: 985

Rob Richardson wrote:
> What does the act say? There's one web site I know that provides something
> like 50 different streams of railroad audio. Is that illegal too?
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> RobR
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The FCC does not consider it illegal. Their standard reply is as follow

"FCC rules do not prohibit redistributing over the Internet those communications licensed under FCC rules Part 90, such as the communications of local government, law enforcement, civil defense, private land mobile, or public safety communications, including police, EMS, fire and the like.

Licensees under FCC rules Part 90 concerned about the intercept and divulgence of their communications may encrypt or ?scramble? these communications, except for station identification. Part 90.735(d) requires station identification to be transmitted by unencrypted voice. Station ID may also be by digital transmission of the station call sign, including by Morse code. A licensee that identifies its station in this manner must provide the Commission, on request, information (such as digital codes and algorithms) sufficient to decipher the data transmission to ascertain the call sign transmitted.

Rules are located in Title 47 of the Code of Federal Regulations; Part 90 is available online at
_http://wireless.fcc.gov/index.htm?job=rules_and_regulations_

Hope this information proves helpful.

Saundra Drayton
Federal Communications Commission"

986. Re: [hamrailfans] Re: Railroad Internet Streams

Yahoo group: hamrailfans
Date: 2008-09-04 19:58:52 UTC
From: Bill Krayenhagen
Topic: 981 Message: 986

Opps, hit the send button by accident.

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This is how the FCC replies to all inquiries about live streams on the internet. Looks like a form letter, since it is always worded the same, just different people signing it.

Bill

987. Lakeview Company

Yahoo group: hamrailfans
Date: 2008-09-23 05:03:43 UTC
From: Dennis
Topic: 987 Message: 987

Hi Group,

I was looking on the net for a cheap mag mount dual band antenna for my truck(preferably black) when I came across a web site for the Lakeview Company. I was wondering if anyone was familiar with them or their products?

http://www.hamstick.com/index.htm

The antenna I was looking at was this one...

http://www.hamstick.com/edb.htm

Thanks for any help

Dennis

988. Re: [hamrailfans] Lakeview Company

Yahoo group: hamrailfans
Date: 2008-09-25 23:33:36 UTC
From: Neil R. Ormos N9NL
Topic: 987 Message: 988

Dennis wrote:

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> dual band antenna for my truck(preferably black)
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> with them or their products?

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> Thanks for any help

Hi Dennis:

Lakeview is well known for a line of "short", two-section, helically loaded HF mobile antennas sold under the trademark "HamStick". I purchased 8-10 of these antennas, plus a heavy-duty magnet mount, dipole adaptor, many quick-release fittings, etc, some time ago. Electrically, the antennas seem to work about as well as any antenna of that type (short, helically loaded) does. Mechanically, they appear to exhibit better workmanship than the knock-offs now being sold for half the price (surprise!).

I don't know anything about the antenna you're interested in, so I can't comment on it.

The company was fine to deal with when I bought from them 10 years or so ago. I believe they changed ownership around 2000; I haven't dealt with them recently.

73

--Neil Ormos N9NL

989. Re: Lakeview Company

Yahoo group: hamrailfans
Date: 2008-09-27 04:05:17 UTC
From: Dennis
Topic: 987 Message: 989

Hi Neil,

Thanks for the info. Now if I can get my old alinco to work, I'll be doing good :)

Dennis

--- In hamrailfans@yahoogroups.com, "Neil R. Ormos N9NL" <ormos-lists@...> wrote:

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990. New memeber hello!

Yahoo group: hamrailfans
Date: 2008-09-27 16:04:36 UTC
From: Randy McKenzie
Topic: 990 Message: 990

Hi all!

Im Randy, KK4EJ, ham, railfan and modeler.

I knew there was other hams that were railfans too, just took me a while to get to the group....

Ham: Extra class, recently purchased a Yaesu FT857 for mobile, PSK31 recently added, and often on 17M, and almost always scanning CSX and NS

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I look forward to things here with this group.....

Randy
KK4EJ
Hillsville VA
Birthplace of George L Carter, Father of the Clincfield

991. Re: [hamrailfans] New memeber hello!

Yahoo group: hamrailfans
Date: 2008-09-27 19:11:08 UTC
From: Ricky Shuttleworth
Topic: 990 Message: 991

Hi Randy, My name is Ricky KB5UCL. I live in Mountain View Arkansas. I am a Big Rail Fan here. I like to go to Hoxie Arkansas where the BNSF Thayer Sub crosses the U.P. Hoxie Sub. Nice to have you. Ricky Shuttleworth KB5UCL

----- Original Message -----
From: Randy McKenzie
To: hamrailfans@yahoogroups.com
Sent: Saturday, September 27, 2008 11:04 AM
Subject: [hamrailfans] New memeber hello!

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992. UP Hoxie Sub

Yahoo group: hamrailfans
Date: 2008-09-27 21:47:45 UTC
From: Victor E. Heise
Topic: 992 Message: 992

Ricky KB5UCL,

I live along the UP Chester Sub in Scott City (Illmo) Missouri. Hoxie Sub connects to the Chester for north bound trains at Dexter MO. So if you were at Hoxie and catch an interesting UP NB, I could see it hours later unless they take the Desoto Sub at Poplar Bluff. If I spot a SB heading to N. Little Rock that may have something one it, I could let you know.

There is another railham on this group that is out of Salem IL as well that could see some of the same trains as well. How long does it take to get from home to Hoxie?

Is there anyone else on the group along the UP between Chicago, St Louis, Dupo, Salem, or points south?

73's

Victor E. Heise/N9TSA
UP Chester Sub MP 124
Scott City (Illmo) MO

993. Re: New memeber hello!

Yahoo group: hamrailfans
Date: 2008-09-28 04:45:28 UTC
From: Dennis
Topic: 990 Message: 993

Hi Randy,

Welcome Aboard :)

Dennis N2UCL

--- In hamrailfans@yahoogroups.com, "Randy McKenzie" <kk4ej@...>
wrote:
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994. Re: UP Hoxie Sub

Yahoo group: hamrailfans
Date: 2008-09-28 04:52:22 UTC
From: Dennis
Topic: 992 Message: 994

Hi Victor,

I am located near the UP(C&EI) in the Momence/St Anne IL area. I don't get trackside a whole lot anymore but occasionaly venture out on the UP between Momence and Watseka IL.

I have a railfan friend who comes to Chicago for work and will ocasionaly go up to visit him when he is in town.. On those days, we usually run by Yard Center in Dolton and check the power there.

BTW, I am also an online friend of Justins.. small world.

Dennis N2UCL

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995. Re: [hamrailfans] UP Hoxie Sub

Yahoo group: hamrailfans
Date: 2008-09-27 22:52:09 UTC
From: Ricky Shuttleworth
Topic: 992 Message: 995

Victor, I am about a Hour and a Half to 2 Hours from Hoxie. I try to get up there every once in a while. The last time I was up there was back around July. I also went up toward Thayer MO on the BNSF Thayer Sub. I really enjoy that area. Thank You. Ricky S.
----- Original Message -----
From: Victor E. Heise
To: hamrailfans@yahoogroups.com
Sent: Saturday, September 27, 2008 4:47 PM
Subject: [hamrailfans] UP Hoxie Sub

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No virus found in this incoming message.
Checked by AVG - http://www.avg.com
Version: 8.0.169 / Virus Database: 270.7.3/1694 - Release Date: 9/26/2008 6:55 PM

[Non-text portions of this message have been removed]

996. Re: New memeber hello!

Yahoo group: hamrailfans
Date: 2008-09-28 04:57:05 UTC
From: Andy
Topic: 990 Message: 996

Hi Randy! I live in Vonore, TN (Between Knoxville and Chattanooga). Can you hit the 145.470 or 147.360 repeaters in my area? I am also working on my own repeater on 70cm. I live about 300 yards from the CSX main line. Check out my website too!

Andy KF4JQD

997. Re: [hamrailfans] Re: UP Hoxie Sub

Yahoo group: hamrailfans
Date: 2008-09-28 05:21:07 UTC
From: Justin R Draper
Topic: 992 Message: 997

Well... since you two are talking about me I guess I better join in and introduce myself.

My name is Justin and I live in Salem, IL near the UP Salem & Mt Vernon Sub (it changes at the south end of the UP Yard), CSX (B&O) Illinois Sub, and the CN Champaign Sub.

If anybody is ever headed this way let me know I'll help ya out where I can! The local repeater for the Salem/Centralia area is 147.270+ 103.5 or the less active 442.200+ 103.5

Justin R Draper/KC9JMP
Salem, IL

If your bored or have some time to kill take a look here
http://mopac1980.rrpicturearchives.net/ or here www.youtube.com/mopac1980

--- On Sat, 9/27/08, Dennis <dennislocoengr@...> wrote:

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Subject: [hamrailfans] Re: UP Hoxie Sub
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998. Re:New memeber hello!

Yahoo group: hamrailfans
Date: 2008-09-28 20:04:19 UTC
From: Jerry Green
Topic: 990 Message: 998

Hi Randy,

I am KC4GGU. I use to work for the C&EI, ICG and AMTRAK. I live away from my trains here near BROOKSVILLE, FL. We do have a depot in town that was http://maps.google.com/maps?sourceid=navclient-ff <http://maps.google.com/maps?sourceid=navclient-ff&ie=UTF-8&rlz=1B3GGGL_enUS278US279&um=1&q=brooksville+fl+trains&fb=1&view=text&latlng=15490185841474577780> &ie=UTF-8&rlz=1B3GGGL_enUS278US279&um=1&q=brooksville+fl+trains&fb=1&view=text&latlng=15490185841474577780 were I signed up for unemployment at one time. Once in a while I try to get on 7295 6pm est M-F but that is about dinner time here.

WELCOME ABROAD

Jerry

[Non-text portions of this message have been removed]

999. Re:New memeber hello! and RALFAN NET???

Yahoo group: hamrailfans
Date: 2008-09-29 01:05:20 UTC
From: Randy McKenzie
Topic: 990 Message: 999

Thanks all for the nice welcome into the group. Is there by any
chance a railfan net of any sort?

I hope to have something here at home for 80 and 40 soon, but can
easily do 20M mobile.

If there isnt, maybe something could get started?????

Randy
KK4EJ

--- In hamrailfans@yahoogroups.com, "Jerry Green" <holly_@...> wrote:
>
> Hi Randy,
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>
> I am KC4GGU. I use to work for the C&EI, ICG and AMTRAK. I live
away from my
> trains here near BROOKSVILLE, FL. We do have a depot in town that
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> time. Once in a while I try to get on 7295 6pm est M-F but that is
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> dinner time here.
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1000. To all of my friends on YahooGroups

Yahoo group: hamrailfans
Date: 2008-12-24 15:41:26 UTC
From: John Gleichweit
Topic: 1000 Message: 1000

Merry Christmas, and Happy New Year.

Here's my Christmas E-Card to all of you!

http://vimeo.com/440868

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John "Smokey Behr" Gleichweit FF1/EMT, CCNA, MCSE
IPN-CAL023 N6FOG UP Fresno Sub MP183.5 ECV1852
List Owner x10, Moderator x9 CA-OES 51-507
http://smokeybehr.blogspot.com
http://www.myspace.com/smokeybehr

1001. IC-208H

Yahoo group: hamrailfans
Date: 2009-01-12 06:17:54 UTC
From: Dennis
Topic: 1001 Message: 1001

Hi Group,

Does anyone have any experience with the ICOM IC-208H? I am asking because I just bought one and am awaiting delivery. I'm currious to hear anyones thoughts on mounting it for mobile operations. I have a 2004 Ford Explorer SportTrac and I'm thinking about moutning it under the rear seat but thinking this may cause some problems with the mic cord reaching to the front. Both front seats are power and I don't think mounting under them will be easy.

Thanks,

Dennis

1002. Re: [hamrailfans] IC-208H

Yahoo group: hamrailfans
Date: 2009-01-12 08:34:25 UTC
From: ke5apj
Topic: 1001 Message: 1002

If the separation cable for the head is as long as those offerred by Kenwood, you shouldn't have any problems..

Just be sure coax & control cables don't run parallel with the vehicle computer cables, as I understand some Ford truck & cars have sensitivity to RF on ham rigs..

Howard Bingham
KE5APJ - EL29gq

Mobile radios: Kenwood TM-G707A & Ranger RCI- 5054dx100

----- Original Message -----
From: Dennis
To: hamrailfans@yahoogroups.com
Sent: Monday, January 12, 2009 12:17 AM
Subject: [hamrailfans] IC-208H

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Dennis

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1003. Re: IC-208H

Yahoo group: hamrailfans
Date: 2009-01-13 03:24:17 UTC
From: Dennis
Topic: 1001 Message: 1003

Hi Howard,

Thanks for the reply and thanks for the tip about the Ford problem.

Just currious, what do you think of the RCI5054? I have been thinking about getting into 6 meters and this was the radio I was interested in. I had been looking to find one used on Ebay or something but now that is definatly down the road since I just spent my radio money lol

Thanks,

Dennis N2UCL

--- In hamrailfans@yahoogroups.com, "ke5apj" <ke5apj@...> wrote:
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1004. Re: [hamrailfans] Re: IC-208H

Yahoo group: hamrailfans
Date: 2009-01-13 06:15:58 UTC
From: ke5apj
Topic: 1001 Message: 1004

The Ranger RCI-5054dx100 is a nice radio, if only there were more openings that a mobile operator could take advantage of.. I think Alinco makes a more compact radio than Ranger, but don't know if it is "ALL MODE", as most other 6m radios (Not including HF radios with 6m capacity) are NOT "all mode" & may not take advantage of being able to do SSB or CW..

Yaesu & ICOM include 6m in most of their HF radios, but consider these start at $ 900. and UP (Mostly UP), as opposed to a new RCI_5054dx100 which sells about $ 365. factory direct, or through select dealers.. Hamfests would be another place to look for Ranger's & other older radios that are capable of 6m..

The ONLY negative I have about the Ranger, is it's size, as it it wider than most other mobile radios on the market & slightlty deeper (It is almost the same dimensions as some older Kenwood models, but not quite as thick or heavy (Use of a Kenwood TS-120S as comparison.). In my pickup, the bottom rests on the floor next to the heater vent (Heaters don't see much use in my part of Texas) & the mounting bracket is shoehorned in against the parcel shelf (A feature found only in early Chevrolet S-10 models) & is so close to floor mounted shifter, that if my hands were larger, it would be a knuckle buster.. IF only Ranger would make a separation kit for the controls, so the radio could be placed under the seat, or bolted to back wall of pickup cab's, it could be an ideal radio.. (I have snapshots taken from the passenger side showing both my Ranger & the control head of my Kenwood TM-G707A installed in my pickup, ask & I'll e-mail to you..)..

73

Howard Bingham
KE5APJ

----- Original Message -----
From: "Dennis" <dennislocoengr@...>
To: <hamrailfans@yahoogroups.com>
Sent: Monday, January 12, 2009 9:24 PM
Subject: [hamrailfans] Re: IC-208H

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1005. Re: IC-208H

Yahoo group: hamrailfans
Date: 2009-01-24 05:19:43 UTC
From: Dennis
Topic: 1001 Message: 1005

Hi Howard,

Sorry it took me so long to reply.. I have had a lot going on.

Yes, it did look like a big radio to me. If I do ever get one, I would be using it at home. I definantly want all mode and i think the Ranger would eb the perfect radio to give 6M a try. I would not want to spend the $900 you mentioned unless I knew i was going to have a lot of time to spend if I even ended up being interested in the band.

I think I will take a look if I get to any Hamfests this year... due to the economy, my company has cut OT and I have to give up my sweet weekends off switch job and go back out on the road to make money. My schedule just went from great to unpredictable :(

Dennis

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> Howard Bingham
> KE5APJ
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1006. EJ&E Saturday??

Yahoo group: hamrailfans
Date: 2009-01-31 04:26:13 UTC
From: Dennis
Topic: 1006 Message: 1006

Hi Group,

Was currious if anyone will be out shooting the last day of the EJ&E tommorow? If so, will anyone be monitoring and if so what frequency? I don't think I am going to get to go... I am sick and so are the kids but just in case... I was currious.

Dennis N2UCL

1007. New Member Intro

Yahoo group: hamrailfans
Date: 2009-02-02 06:51:22 UTC
From: mark
Topic: 1007 Message: 1007

Hello All,

I am a Bay Area railfan residing in Hayward, CA. My favorite railroad was the old SP. I am also into model railroading (HO scale), Live Steam and Ham Radio. I mostly operate on 2m and 70cm at present. Are there any active Railfan Nets at present in the Bay Area? If so, when do they meet and on what frequencies?
Thanks,
Mark
KI6FPJ

1008. Fw: [BVARC] 2009 Greater Houston Hamfest March 7th, 2009

Yahoo group: hamrailfans
Date: 2009-02-03 08:59:24 UTC
From: ke5apj
Topic: 1008 Message: 1008

2009 Greater Houston Hamfest March 7th, 2009Here ais a ham fest that is spitting distance from two rail lines.. a NEW KCS line from Rosenberg to Victoria, Tx. (Ex: SP Macaroni line, AKA: SP Victoria Sub) is not far behind the hamfest location & the UP Glidden Sub is several miles North in downtown Rosenberg..

So if in SE Texas the first weekend in March, come on & visit Texas hams..

Howard Bingham
KE5APJ

Member BVARS, ECHO, ARRL & 6Meters International

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----- Original Message -----
From: Allen R. Brier
To: tdxs-list@... ; bvarc@... ; nars@... ; clarc-request@...
Sent: Monday, February 02, 2009 10:25 PM
Subject: [BVARC] 2009 Greater Houston Hamfest March 7th, 2009

GREATER HOUSTON HAMFEST www.houstonhamfest.org

Date: Saturday, March 7, 2009
Time: 8AM to 2PM -- registration begins at 7 AM
Location: Ft. Bend County Fairgrounds, Rosenberg, TX
About 30 miles S/W of downtown Houston
Food: Light breakfast and lunch will be available.

Admission: $5, Children under 14 free.
Each paid admission receives 1 free raffle ticket*

Over 120 tables will be available for fleamarket-type tables. Pre-registration for sellers allows choice of tables ahead of time and free power (500W) if requested at time of pre-registration.

Tailgating: This year free tailgating is introduced. There is plenty of room at the fairgrounds for this. Buyers will have early access to tailgate sellers before main hall opens at 8 A.M.

(Sorry, only service animals allowed.)

Raffle (2009):

Grand Prize - Yaesu FT-450-AT

Drawings for other prizes approximately every 15 minutes.

Winning numbers of prizes will be posted until the Grand Prize drawing at which time the unclaimed numbers will be redrawn.

VE (Ham radio) Testing -

Registration for testing will begin at 8AM. Actual testing will commence at 9AM with another session beginning at 10:30. Other testing will be scheduled as demand warrants. ARRL AREC certification testing will be at 11:00. You will need a photo ID, a copy of your existing Amateur Radio License (if upgrading) and $15.

Testing is on-site in the Sheriff Department Training Classroom just inside the front gate.

For more information contact John Moore, kk5nu, jwm@... (713-481-4107).

Programs and Featured Presentations (2009):

Featured Speaker: David Woolweaver, Director of ARRL Southwest Division

Various technical, operational and other informative lectures are scheduled. The final schedule is available at www.houstonhamfest.org

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1009. Off Topic Question

Yahoo group: hamrailfans
Date: 2009-05-19 03:07:23 UTC
From: Robert Schoenfeld
Topic: 1009 Message: 1009

A friend of mine has a Yaesu 980 available and nobody seems to know how much it is worth If anyone has an ides please e-mail me privately wa2aqq (at) Yahoo.com

73 de Bob WA2AQQ

1010. Re: [RailfanLegal] Re: Member Intro

Yahoo group: hamrailfans
Date: 2009-07-18 22:08:11 UTC
From: Phil Kane
Topic: 1010 Message: 1010

On 7/16/2009 11:22 PM, CHRISTOPHOR READ wrote:

> Are you a fellow "RailHam"? Have you ever used EchoLink? I'm
> thinking of starting a "Railfan Net" using the protocols of the
> EchoLink system, so that a wide range of our fellow RailHams can
> get in on the fun. I'd be interested in floating this (and other
> ideas) passed some of you outside of my local area to see how
> popular this kind of thing might be. As it stands now, the
> owner/maintainer of the 145.210 repeater on Mt. Greylock (Adams,
> Ma.), has given the preliminary okay to try something like this
> as he's also one of us RailHams.

Several years ago there was one on Sunday afternoon, IIRC. It
started off with a bang and quickly died a natural death from
lack of participants.

Before that the San Francisco Bay Area Ham-Railfans had a radio
repeater net that also went on for a while. I don't know if it
still exists in this world of internet, texting, cellphones,
and other "social networking".

Finally, there is a Yahoo Group of HamRailfans. It is
distinguished by its emptiness. (See the To: list)

The best use of ham radio in railfanning is on-scene
communications incident to railfan meets and photo sessions.
For many years that was my primary and sometimes sole use of
ham radio.

-- Phil Kane - Beaverton, OR - K2ASP
PNW Beburg MP 29.0 - OE District

1011. RR radio narrow band news

Yahoo group: hamrailfans
Date: 2010-02-18 22:06:12 UTC
From: rrradioman
Topic: 1011 Message: 1011

Go to this link to read more about narrowbanding the railroad frequencies.

http://www.aslrra.org/news___publications/Views___News/results.cfm?artic\
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1012. The Greater Houston Ham Fest -- Saturday March 6th

Yahoo group: hamrailfans
Date: 2010-03-01 20:08:43 UTC
From: Howard Bingham
Topic: 1012 Message: 1012

FYI:

Howard Bingham

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The largest Ham Radio event within the Texas Gulf Coast area happens this coming weekend, on Saturday March 6:

The Brazos Valley Amateur Radio Club□s -- Greater Houston Ham Fest --

All Hams, and non-Hams, are invited to attend and enjoy all of the activities. The list of things to do is long: a large □free□ tail gate area, the indoor table sale area, VEC testing. Operate the HF special event station W5H, attend technical talks on a wide variety of topics, learn station building tricks at the HANDS ON table demos, participate in the exciting AMSAT satellite ops demos, join the fox hunt, eat great food at the DX Kid□s Café, visit the commercial vendors, the ARRL tables, the club and special interest group tables and see the emergency vehicles on display. Also, buy tickets for the all day raffle with prizes every 15 minutes and the semi-grand prize and grand prize at close of the event at 1:30. All this for a $5 entrance fee.

Come on out, stay an hour, stay the whole day, we got you covered for food and drink and entertainment. It is THE place to be, along the Gulf Coast on March 6th, if you are, or want to be, a Radio Amateur. Talk-in is 146.94 or set your GPS□s on the Fort Bend County Fair Grounds just 1 mile south of I-59 on State Highway 6 in Rosenburg, Texas. Everyone in BVARC hopes that you will come on out and take part in our 8th annual GREATER HOUSTON HAM FEST. Visit www.houstonhamfest.org for on-line table sales, tickets and all of the details.

If you have questions, contact me at rhiller@...

73, Rick

W5RH

President BVARC 2010 / 2011 www.BVARC.org
<http://www.bvarc.org/>

Co-chairman for the 2010 Greater Houston Ham Fest
www.houstonhamfest.org

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1013. Re: The Greater Houston Ham Fest -- Saturday March 6th

Yahoo group: hamrailfans
Date: 2010-03-01 20:36:30 UTC
From: Howard Bingham
Topic: 1012 Message: 1013

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A CORRECTION in the below forwarded message, the
CORRECT location is Texas 36 , NOT Texas 6 as
noted in the original (Which is corrected below.).

Howard Bingham

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1014. ILLINOIS(area) Railhams?

Yahoo group: hamrailfans
Date: 2010-06-16 01:59:33 UTC
From: Dennis
Topic: 1014 Message: 1014

Hello...

A couple of quick questions....

Are You a "Railham" who lives in the state of Illinois, or very near it?

Would you be at all interested in an Amateur Radio club that consisted of other railfans. Not a list or a group but an actual club with meetings and outings and officers and by-laws.

Well one doesn't exist, yet. I've done a little research into starting such a club where we could get together and railfan or do a slide show or any of the things that a Ham radio club would do.

Anyway, its a thought. I'm looking to see if anyone would be interested and if anyone had any feedback on the idea.

Thanks,

Dennis

1015. Re: [hamrailfans] ILLINOIS(area) Railhams?

Yahoo group: hamrailfans
Date: 2010-06-16 02:09:42 UTC
From: John W Beall
Topic: 1014 Message: 1015

Sorry old man but I live in Maryland. Shame though because it sounds like a good idea.Let me know how it goes.

John W Beall (KA3USB)

" Forever lost in this thing called Linux and enjoying it "

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1016. Re: ILLINOIS(area) Railhams?

Yahoo group: hamrailfans
Date: 2010-06-17 20:20:19 UTC
From: Dennis
Topic: 1014 Message: 1016

Yeah, it sounded like a good idea....so far, I think I'd have better response if I was giving out rotten food. Oh Well.

Dennis

--- In hamrailfans@yahoogroups.com, John W Beall <j.beall@...> wrote:
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1017. Re: ILLINOIS(area) Railhams?

Yahoo group: hamrailfans
Date: 2010-06-18 03:39:05 UTC
From: n8qvt
Topic: 1014 Message: 1017

Yes, please count me in on both counts - a ham and railfan interested in an actual club. My OM (hubbie) is also interested. We live in greater Chicagoland.
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1018. Re: ILLINOIS(area) Railhams?

Yahoo group: hamrailfans
Date: 2010-06-18 05:05:49 UTC
From: Dennis
Topic: 1014 Message: 1018

Hi,

So far there has been very little interest but its only been a couple of days... I've also put a message about it up on the Railscan Group. I know there are quite a few Illinois area people over there but not sure how often some people read their messages. I'd love to get 30 people but 10 sounds like a good number. I'll let you know if I get any other interest in the project.

A Couple who are railfans and Hams together? Awesome!!

Dennis

--- In hamrailfans@yahoogroups.com, "n8qvt" <n8qvt@...> wrote:
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1019. Re: [hamrailfans] Re: ILLINOIS(area) Railhams?

Yahoo group: hamrailfans
Date: 2010-06-18 12:50:54 UTC
From: Neil R. Ormos
Topic: 1014 Message: 1019

Dennis N2UCL wrote:
> John W Beall (KA3USB) wrote:
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>>> Are You a "Railham" who lives in the state of
>>> Illinois, or very near it?

>>> Would you be at all interested in an Amateur
>>> Radio club that consisted of other
>>> railfans. Not a list or a group but an actual
>>> club with meetings and outings and officers
>>> and by-laws.

>>> Well one doesn't exist, yet. I've done a
>>> little research into starting such a club
>>> where we could get together and railfan or do
>>> a slide show or any of the things that a Ham
>>> radio club would do.

>>> Anyway, its a thought. I'm looking to see if
>>> anyone would be interested and if anyone had
>>> any feedback on the idea.

>> Sorry old man but I live in Maryland. Shame
>> though because it sounds like a good idea.Let
>> me know how it goes.

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> think I'd have better response if I was giving
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hams. At the Lyons Township show in March, I
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antennas) on my walk from the far end of the
parking lot to the show. In addition to the
railscan group which you mentioned in another
post, you might also advertise for interest on

these lists/groups:

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Illinois Clubs Yahoo! Group
<ILclubs@yahoogroups.com>

Illini Rail Yahoo! Group
<IlliniRail@yahoogroups.com>

Illinois Ham Radio Mailing List
<ilham@...>

73

--Neil Ormos N9NL

1020. Re: [hamrailfans] Re: ILLINOIS(area) Railhams?

Yahoo group: hamrailfans
Date: 2010-06-18 13:01:28 UTC
From: Neil R. Ormos
Topic: 1014 Message: 1020

Dennis N2UCL wrote:
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1021. Re: [hamrailfans] Re: ILLINOIS(area) Railhams?

Yahoo group: hamrailfans
Date: 2010-06-19 03:10:01 UTC
From: Phil Kane
Topic: 1014 Message: 1021

On 6/18/2010 6:01 AM, Neil R. Ormos wrote:

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> paperwork.

The California Railfans Group is an "online" club via a Yahoo group (Calrailfans). No paperwork, no filing deadlines, no dues, just a bunch of guys and gals who post a lot of messages back and forth and get together once a month to hang out somewhere and chase/photo trains. We have a regular bunch of places that we visit and by consensus we set a schedule once a year, posted to the group as a footnote to all messages through the list. We've become friends that way. Some of us are hams, and some not. Some work for the railroad, and some do not.

I wish that we had such a group up here in Oregon.

-- Phil Kane - Beaverton, OR
PNW Beburg MP 29.0 - OE District

1022. Re: ILLINOIS(area) Railhams?

Yahoo group: hamrailfans
Date: 2010-06-19 06:31:35 UTC
From: Dennis
Topic: 1014 Message: 1022

Hi Neal,

I havn't given up quite yet... all I need is a little interest and I'm good to go for another week lol.

Yes, I'm thinking the same thing. it would be great to get a group together and just watch trains or whatever. From the digging I've done on the net, I know there is enough of us in and around IL to make a nice little group, even taking in to account that not everyone will be able to make it every time.

I had thought about trying the CARMA Group and the Illini Rail Group as I am member of both those Groups but wasn't sure how they would feel about an "advertisement" as they both have a lot of activity. I posted to Railscan because there are a lot of "railhams" there and I am a moderator. I posted here because there was little message traffic at the time.

Dennis
N2UCL

--- In hamrailfans@yahoogroups.com, "Neil R. Ormos" <ormos-lists@...> wrote:

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> --Neil Ormos N9NL
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1023. Re: ILLINOIS(area) Railhams?

Yahoo group: hamrailfans
Date: 2010-06-19 06:51:16 UTC
From: Dennis
Topic: 1014 Message: 1023

Hi Neil,

Well, as far as a club goes, I was imagining a pretty informal club. The "meeting" would be little more then a railfan outing. Afterward, the group could go out for dinner and discuss any buisness that needed to be addressed.

I was really imagining the administrative overhead to be kept to a bare minimum. Basically just being organized enough to stay organized.

Maybe we could get hats someday lol! Seriously maybe down the road everybody might decide they want to do field day together(I have the perfect spot!) or maybe set up a table at a railroadiana show explaining how railfanning and ham radio fit together. If everybody wants that, fine but I'm just looking to enjoy my two hobbies together with other people who feel the same.

I never even gave insurance a thought... What kind of insurance would a club need?

Its been suggested to make a Yahoo Group for the "club" or whatever you want to call it so everyone can get together and discuss this. Maybe its a good idea. Afterwards it can be used between outings to keep in touch and decide where our next "meeting" will be.

Dennis
(who really needs some sleep now)

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1024. Re: ILLINOIS(area) Railhams?

Yahoo group: hamrailfans
Date: 2010-06-19 23:45:28 UTC
From: Dennis
Topic: 1014 Message: 1024

OK Everyone....

I've created a Group for discussion about an Illinois RailHam "club". If you are at all interested, live in the Illinois area, and hold an Amateur Radio license, please go there and join and then we can begin to discuss how we want this to work... Hopefully, we'll get some members this weekend.

Dennis

http://groups.yahoo.com/group/IL_RailHams/?yguid=130139983

1025. RailHam Group(Illinois)

Yahoo group: hamrailfans
Date: 2010-07-13 05:52:44 UTC
From: Dennis
Topic: 1025 Message: 1025

Just a reminder that the Illinois area RailHam group is up and running... If you are a Ham/railfan in the Illinois area you can come check us out.

Several people who said they were interested havn't dropped by yet so I figured I'd post this for those that may have missed it.

Thanks, Dennis

http://groups.yahoo.com/group/IL_RailHams/

1026. Frequencies in San Antonio Texas

Yahoo group: hamrailfans
Date: 2010-08-19 20:17:52 UTC
From: Robert Schoenfeld
Topic: 1026 Message: 1026

Will be in San Antonio Texas in Oct and interested in frequencies and repeaters reachable from around the Convention Center

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73 de Bob WA2AQQ

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1027. what rail lines run inside hayward california 94545

Yahoo group: hamrailfans
Date: 2010-08-21 18:54:53 UTC
From: Darryl
Topic: 1027 Message: 1027

have some questions about raillines that run into hayward ca 94545

?? And think railfsns amd ham radio would work together to make

a better hobby.

1028. Re: [hamrailfans] what rail lines run inside hayward california 94545

Yahoo group: hamrailfans
Date: 2010-08-22 21:07:45 UTC
From: Cquirk@quirkcorp.us
Topic: 1027 Message: 1028

UP runs through Hayward, BART and yes Ham radio could make it better, however the weekly nets of railfans dropped off some years ago.

--- On Sat, 8/21/10, Darryl <darski1us@...> wrote:

From: Darryl <darski1us@yahoo.com>
Subject: [hamrailfans] what rail lines run inside hayward california 94545
To: hamrailfans@yahoogroups.com
Date: Saturday, August 21, 2010, 11:54 AM

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Yahoo! Groups Links

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1029. [Texas_VHF-FM_Society] Re: [VHFcontesting] 2011 Spring VHF and Up Sprints Schedule

Yahoo group: hamrailfans
Date: 2011-04-04 03:49:18 UTC
From: Howard Bingham
Topic: 1029 Message: 1029

Special event station from a rail caboose in Ohio, May 14th. !

On 6 Meters..!

Howard Bingham
KE5APJ

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-------- Original Message --------
Subject: [Texas_VHF-FM_Society] Re: [VHFcontesting] 2011 Spring VHF and
Up Sprints Schedule
Date: Sun, 3 Apr 2011 11:52:15 -0400
From: n8ofs@...
Reply-To: Texas_VHF-FM_Society@yahoogroups.com
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> Sponsor K9JK has set the 2011 Spring Sprints schedule.
> Dates for the 2011 Spring VHF and Up Sprints will be:
> 6 Meters - 2300Z Sat., May 14th until 0300Z Sun., May 15th
> The website is at <http://sites.google.com/site/springvhfupsprints>
> Announce your plans here, especially the rovers.
> Who else is going out?

I will be N8OFS/P (NOT N8OFS, NOT N8OFS/8, NOT N8OFS/R) "Broadcasting Live
and Direct from the Caboose" at the AC&J Railroad in Jefferson Ohio
EN91or... 52.525FM ONLY, 90W from the TS-60 to the "DOMINATOR" at 29ft...
<http://fmbroadcastantenna.com/6meter.html>
Log (N8OFS/P ONLY) will be uploaded first to eQSL then to LotW on Sunday
after the Contest... QSL Instructions are as follows: QSL Direct; Large
SASE prefered (instant turnaround), but any QSL Card I recieve will get a
QSL Card back (eventually): eQSL with or without AG Status (you'll get a
Card eventualy anyway): LotW is a Checklog ONLY (you'll get a Card
eventualy anyway)... Cards and eQSL recieved will be uploaded to QRZ's
Logbook; no Card or eQSL, no QRZ confirmation... LotW confirmations
will NOT go into QRZ's Logbook (unless you've sent me a Card or eQSL)...
Have
I made myself absolutly CLEAR?!?!?!

This is the 1st or 4 Caboose activations this year... The other 3 are
SMIRK, CQ WW VHF, and CX September Phone... I'll announce these later...
Right now, I'm puting the finishing touches on my Tri-Ohio State Park
including 1 USi and 1 Lighthouse announcement for the ARRL June VHF
Contest...

PeAcE...

Andy N8OFS GOT6???
Locked on 52.525FM until further notice...
<http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=i9CDaJ3qR4Q>

1030. (no subject)

Yahoo group: hamrailfans
Date: 2011-05-26 02:45:34 UTC
From: John Gleichweit
Topic: 1030 Message: 1030

Friends want to make your life better!.
http://arredilferro.com/friends_links.php?bhotmailID=72t9

1031. (no subject)

Yahoo group: hamrailfans
Date: 2012-06-13 19:14:39 UTC
From: Justin R Draper
Topic: 1031 Message: 1031

http://www.buykindlepdf.com/wp-content/themes/socrates/googlemail.html

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1032. Hacked Email

Yahoo group: hamrailfans
Date: 2012-06-15 01:18:28 UTC
From: Justin R Draper
Topic: 1032 Message: 1032

Groups,

I just
wanted to apologize for the messages sent from my email. It was hacked and I
have since changed my password and will be monitoring it closely.
 Sorry for the spam

Justin R Draper/KC9JMP
Salem, IL

[Non-text portions of this message have been removed]

1033. CalTrain New Frequencies and What is 173.275 MHz Used For?

Yahoo group: hamrailfans
Date: 2012-06-16 02:52:42 UTC
From: kb6uda
Topic: 1033 Message: 1033

Hi,

I was told by the person I know who works for CalTrain (AMTRAK) that they have finished re-banding and now have 2 frequencies.
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Other than the 160.815 freq I hear them on does anyone know of what the other frequency might be?

I have been monitoring 173.275 MHz (I know its not listed as a RR frequency except in the FCC data base for CAL-Train) as it is listed as being part of the CAL-Train System but have heard nothing.

I know they now use Nextel and since I do not think he knows much about their radio system he is possibly confusing channel 2 as the NexTel.
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Off the Above Subject:
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When I come out from the tunnel that BART uses to get to the East Bay there is a large rail yard there.
I was told the freq there is 161.100 and I do hear it active when BART is there.

I have also been told there are more for this yard.
Does anyone know what they my be?
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Is there a place I can go on the web to see what the local train frequencies are for the San Francisco Bay Area?

The FCC data base is useless as it includes every frequency they are allowed to use.

Best Regards
Sincerely,
Ted
KB6UDA

1034. Re: [hamrailfans] CalTrain New Frequencies and What is 173.275 MHz Used For?

Yahoo group: hamrailfans
Date: 2012-06-17 00:04:45 UTC
From: Phil Kane
Topic: 1033 Message: 1034

On 6/15/2012 7:52 PM, kb6uda wrote:

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"Rebanding" applies to 800 MHz operations - trunked, conventional, and SMR systems such as Nextel. It does not apply to VHF frequencies.

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Phil Kane - K2ASP - Beaverton, OR
PNW Beburg MP 28.9 - OE District

1035. Re: [hamrailfans] CalTrain New Frequencies and What is 173.275 MHz Used For?

Yahoo group: hamrailfans
Date: 2012-06-17 04:10:05 UTC
From: Ted M
Topic: 1033 Message: 1035

Hi,

Thank U.

Best Regards
Ted
KB6UDA

From: Phil Kane <railfan@...>
To: hamrailfans@yahoogroups.com
Sent: Saturday, June 16, 2012 5:04 PM
Subject: Re: [hamrailfans] CalTrain New Frequencies and What is 173.275 MHz Used For?

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